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THE CUBAN WAR MUST COME TO AN END

Senator Mason's Resolution Presented in the Senate.

NOW WHAT WILL SPAIN DO ABOUT IT?

Full Text of the Pointed Declaration---Ringing Arraignment of the Oppressors---Manly Declaration for Justice and for Liberty.

Washington, Feb. 8.—In the senate today senator Mason of Illinois, presented the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, **That the President of the United States is hereby requested to notify Spain and the Insurgents in Cuba that the war, so-called, must be at once ceased and discontinued; and, that the United States of America hereby declare and will maintain peace on the Island."**

This resolution is preceded by a long preamble setting forth the horrors of war as they exist in Cuba and declares that "all Christendom is shocked by its barbarities." It sets forth the refusal by the insurgents of pretended autonomy, asserting that the "daughters of insurgent soldiers have been sold into houses of infamy, women and children debauched and treated beyond power of language to describe," telling of the sufferings of the concentrados, declaring that the flag of truce is abandoned and the struggle narrowed to extermination or independence; pointing out the expenditures of large sums by the United States to protect its citizens in the island, and quoting the Cuban paragraph from the last Republican national platform. Continuing the preamble disclaims a desire on the part of the United States to secure possession of Cuba and says the people do not complain of loss of trade with Cuba, seeks no redress for this and other losses, and have waited till the barbarous situation in Cuba has become a stain on our continent and a blot on our Christian civilization. The people of the United States are demanding no personal profit, having no fear and asking no favor. Conscious of the justice of our position we do, in the presence of the civilized nations of the world, in the name of justice and liberty demand that the so called war in Cuba must end.

CANNON'S DECLARATION.

Senator Cannon offered the following:

Whereas, The people of the republic of Cuba are, and of right ought to be, free and independent; whereas, the continuance of the barbarous warfare of Spain in the attempt to subjugate the patriots of that republic is in violation of the law of humanity, a menace to the freedom and progress of the people of the western hemisphere, and a full justification for the demand by the United States that Spain shall withdraw the land and naval forces from Cuba and Cuban waters and leave the republic and the people to the enjoyment of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, That the President of the United States is urged to notify the Kingdom of Spain, if Spain shall fail to recognize the independence of the Republic of Cuba, on or before the 4th day of March, 1898, the Government of the United States will on that date recognize the belligerency of the Cuban patriots and within thirty days thereafter assert the independence of the Republic of Cuba."

ALLEN IN IT.

Senator Allen of Nebraska offered as an amendment to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill the Morgan resolution for the recognition of belligerency of Cuba, and said he hoped it would be speedily acted on by the committee on foreign relations, so that it would not be defeated in the senate by a point of order. Hale of Maine said it was still subject to a point of order. Allen gave notice that he would appeal from any decision adverse to the amendment, and test the sense of the senate on the subject.

The senate amendment proposed by Senator Allen recognizes the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents. Senator Cannon's resolution, at his request, went over until tomorrow, when he will speak on it.

HOUSE.

The senate amendments to the agricultural appropriation bill were disagreed to and the bill sent to conference. The election committee called up the contested election case of Aldrich against Plowman, of the fourth Alabama district.

CAUGHT "DER BOSS."

Kris Von der Ahe, Base Ball Magnate, Kidnapped in St. Louis.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 8.—Kris Von der Ahe, who was kidnapped at St. Louis by a Pittsburg detective, breakfasted here early and proceeded on his way to Pittsburg.

CAUSE OF THE ARREST.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 8.—Detective Randell, who kidnapped Kris Von der Ahe, the base ball magnate, in St. Louis last evening, is expected to reach Pittsburg with his prisoner this evening. The arrest was made at the instigation of W. A. Nimick, former president of the Pittsburg base ball club, who went on Von der Ahe's bond when the latter was arrested in this city on a charge preferred by Pitcher Mark Baldwin. The litigation between Baldwin and Von der Ahe, commenced in 1891 and grew out of a dispute between the National League and American Association. Baldwin was connected with Pittsburg League club. Von der Ahe was president of the St. Louis Association club. The former went to St. Louis to secure Pitcher King and was arrested on a charge of conspiracy by Von der Ahe. When the case came to trial Baldwin was discharged. He brought suit against Von der Ahe for malicious prosecution and asked $10,000 damages. Von der Ahe was arrested at Pittsburg. Nimick became his bondsman. The case was tried twice. The verdict given both times was for $25,000. As nothing was secured on execution issued against Von der Ahe, and the sheriff had made return that the defendant could not be found in the county, Nimick decided to have him brought to this city to forestall proceedings for recovery on the bond. If he is surrendered by his bondsmen in Pittsburg and fails to pay he can be placed in jail.

How It Was Done.

St. Louis, Feb. 8.—The abduction of Chris Von der Ahe caused an immense sensation here. It appears that the Pittsburg detective lured Von der Ahe to the St. Nicholas hotel under the name of Smith. He received a telegram from Smith from New York, last week, asking for a conference on private business. Chris replied, asking if it could not be transacted by telegraph. He heard no more of the matter till he received an invitation to dine at the St. Nicholas. Arriving there the detective showed him the Pittsburg bail bond and hustled him into a carriage, drove him about the city till it was time to take the train for Pittsburg, when he put him on board and started for the smokey city with him. President Muckenfuss, successor to Von der Ahe, in charge of the Browns, said this morning he proposed to go to Pittsburg to fix matters up and secure Von der Ahe's release.

The Groves Funeral.

The funeral of Joseph Groves, who died at Decatur February 5 of quick consumption, was held from the C. P. church at Mt. Zion yesterday at 11:30 a. m. Rev. Spayd, pastor of the U. B. church of Decatur, conducted the exercises. Rev. Spayd talked in a general way from the 14th, 15th and 16th chapters of St. John, especially pressing home the thought of the "mansions being prepared" and the preparation necessary for their occupation on the part of the tenants. The sermon was a very earnest and pressing appeal for preparation for our abode hereafter, and was feelingly received by the congregation.

Joseph Groves was born September 11, 1863, and was 34 years old at the time of his death. He was an unmarried man and died at the residence of his sister.

AMBITIOUS.

Bloomington Citizens After the State Democratic Convention.

Bloomington, Feb. 8.—Arrangements have been completed for the erection of a coliseum in this city, to seat 4000 to 5000 people, and to cost $75,000. This having been completed, an effort will now be made to capture the Democratic state convention. A committee consisting of the following Democratic leaders went to Chicago last night to urge the Democratic state central committee to select Bloomington: Hon. B. J. Claggett, Hon. John Eddy, Dr. J. W. Hall, Hon. James S. Ewing, Col. John F. Hefferman, A. J. Barr and Hon. James F. O'Donnell. A number of Republican leaders and prominent business men accompanied the committee.

GIVE IT UP.

Chinese Not After Money—Prince to be Received in State.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 8.—According to trustworthy intelligence China has finally abandoned the idea of raising a loan in London or elsewhere.

Pekin, Feb. 8.—Tsung Li Yamen has instructed the viceroy of Nanking to receive Prince Henry of Prussia upon the latter's arrival at Shanghai.

THE "MARCH KING."

Sousa and His Famous Band at the Opera House.

There was a large sized audience to greet John Phillip Sousa, the "March King," and his famous band at the Powers' Grand this afternoon. Owing to the fact that Sousa is playing two engagements each day this season it was impossible for Manager Given to secure him for an evening engagement, and this, together with the disagreeable weather went far to prevent many from hearing him who would otherwise have gone. Sousa is happy in the possession of the faculty of giving pleasure to everyone in his rendition of a program and he caters successfully to lovers of classical music and to those who prefer the lighter melody.

This has been the most successful tour in Mr. Sousa's entire experience in his public work. It has covered New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Ohio, Indiana and parts of Illinois. The receipts have shown an increase of 30 per cent of those of last year and for the week ending in January the receipts were $15,000. More enthusiasm has been manifested everywhere he and his famous band have appeared and the receipts have in creased in proportion to the enthusiasm. During the coming summer Mr. Sousa will give a concert tour in Europe. He will leave New York on the 25th of May and will play his opening engagement in Albert Hall in London. His tour will include all the principal European capitals. He will return to America in August.

No one who has seen and heard Mr. Sousa in his concerts and as a conductor of his band can fail to reach the conclusion that he is filling the position in life which was meant for him and his ability and success in everywhere conceded. An illustration of this was given a short time go in a way which amused Mr. Sousa very much. He was traveling from Chicago to New York and in his section of the car Hall, the Australian pugilist, was also a passenger. Mr. Sousa talked to him of his work and the possibility of his fight with Fitzsimmons. "I don't think," Mr. Sousa remarked, "that I should like to be a pugilist." Hall made a characteristic gesture, which showed his surprise at the remark. "You are placed, Mr Sousa," he said, "everyone knows that."

GOING TO EUROPE.

A Chicago special telegram says: "De Wolf Hopper and John Philip Sousa are going to Europe to give American comic opera and American band music throughout the old world. All the members of Hopper's opera company, "El Capitan," and all the members of Sousa's band are booked for the trip. The start will be made some time in the fall and both companies expect to be away the entire season of 1898-99. In consequence of this trip abroad the production of De Wolf Hopper's new opera will be delayed until sometime in 1899.

DOLE NOT DOLEFUL.

Confident that Annexation will be Consummated.

Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 8.—President Dole and party arrived early this morning from Buffalo. The car was sidetracked and the party did not rise until 7 o'clock, when breakfast was served. Later Mr. and Mrs. Dole were driven to the home of Charles Cate. Mrs. Dole and Mr. Cate are brother and sister. The party is expected to resume its journey westward this evening. President Dole in an interview said: "I regard my trip as extremely satisfactory. I feel confident that the Hawaiian possessions will ultimately be annexed to the United States. I had a long consultation with President McKinley. It was most satisfactory."

WOMAN HURT.

Mrs. Bruce Seriously Injured This Afternoon on Colfax Street.

This afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock while driving along South Colfax street a Mr. and Mrs. Bruce and an elderly woman were thrown from their carriage and Mrs. Bruce injured. The accident was due to the horse being choked by the tightness of his collar and he became unmanagable and backed down the grade at the side of the street, upsetting the carriage. The occupants were thrown out and Mrs. Bruce was carried into the nearest house. Dr. Everett J. Brown was called and an examination showed that no bones were broken and beyond a few bruises and the nervous shock she was not seriously injured.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Sir Robert Peel is to go on the stage.

John Limberson, aged 91, a survivor of the war of 1812, died at Baltimore Sunday.

Colonel Amos C. Babcock is reported to be in a dying state at the Palmer House, Chicago.

Lincoln, Ill., has an epidemic of measles and diphtheria.

Typographical Union No. 6 of New York has appropriated $2500 to cultivate potatoes on vacant lots for the unemployed.

FORCE TO BE USED.

Esterhazy Refuses to Testify in the Zola Trial.

Paris, Feb. 8.—The trial of Zola was resumed this morning. Count Esterhazy sent a letter refusing to testify. Zola's counsel insisted that Esterhazy be brought into court by force.

BAR GOOD HAMS

Act of German Unfriendliness to the U. S.

J. A. BARNES ON THE SUBJECT

Consul at Cologne Writes to the State Department Giving the Facts —Barring Out American Products.

Washington, Feb. 8.—A proclamation of the chief mayor of Cologne against American hams is the latest act of German unfriendliness toward the products of this country. Consul John A. Barnes has forwarded a copy, which has reached the department of state. The mayor's notice is as follows:

"American hams have been brought into the market which were painted with boracic acid in order to preserve them. Although they were carefully washed before being offered for sale, the meat was strongly impregnated with boracic acid, and crystals of borax had formed on the bone, as was shown by the results of the chemical examination. Now, the court of correction has declared, on the basis of the opinion of experts, that boracic acid is a poison, liable to injure the health of human beings. It is, therefore, not permitted to keep on sale or sell meat that is preserved with boracic acid, and all those who not against this order will be proceeded against according to the imperial law of May 14, 1879, touching the trade in food."

Commenting upon the proclamation, Consul Barnes writes:

"In Germany, pork is cured by what is known as the 'wet process' (the dry process in use in America being unknown), and requires the following ingredients in the preparation, to-wit: Thirty per cent of boracic acid, 30 per cent of nitrate of potash and 30 per cent of common salt. In view of the composition of this preparation, it appears that the court of correction permits the use of a limited quantity of boracic acid by the people of this country in the curing of their meats, while it condemns and forbids the use of the same article in the meats coming from America. In other words, boracic acid in American meats is 'poison', while in German products it is, we must infer, palatable and healthful. It seems well-nigh impossible to overcome the deep-seated prejudice of the German people against American meat products, and only the greatest care in preparation and the most careful selection will insure success, and, it is to be hoped, finally secure in this country the proper recognition of the superior quality and healthful properties of the pork products of America."

In connection with the subject of exclusion of American products from Germany, it may be stated as a fact of interest that the United States has had for some time a complaint against Germany which it has treated in a spirit of courtesy and patience, in marked contrast with the action of the German government in making this last exclusion decree and putting it in operation without the slightest notice to the United States ambassador. This complaint touches the integrity of German wines, which are imported into the United States in quantities so great as to make the volume of the American fresh fruit trade with Germany insignificant by comparison. The state department, having had its attention directed to the statements of eminent experts in Germany, relative to the great adulteration of these wines, laid the matter before the German government and courteously afforded it an opportunity to defend the character of the wines. Only a brief and unsatisfactory answer has been received so far, and although that was two years ago, this government has not yet insisted upon taking radical action, though, diplomatically speaking, the question is still open.

WILL BE A FINE SHOW.

Traveling Men's Minstrels and Vaudeville Friday Night at the Grand.

The Traveling Men's Minstrel Show, which will be the attraction at the Grand on Friday night, promises to be the best home talent performance ever presented in Decatur. Samuel Siegel, mandolin virtuoso, has been secured and will give the musical people of Decatur a rare treat Mr. Siegel is now en route with a Chicago Concert Co, but leaves his company next Friday to come to Decatur, after which he will return to his own company. Several professional and ex-professional minstrel men will do some new and very clever specialties in the olio, among these are Messrs. Arthur Gillespie, Walter Moore and Charles Faunce. Every feature of the entertainment will be new, and the indications are that the boys will play to standing room only. The Traveling Men's association is giving this entertainment to raise funds to entertain the State Traveling Men's convention, which will be held in Decatur in April, and take this means to raise the funds, rather than solicit aid from the public. Tickets are now on sale at the St. Nicholas hotel, Quinn & Seeforth's, West's drug store, Folrath & Hardy's, Ottenheimer & Co.'s, Decatur Trunk factory and the Union depot hotel. Wednesday morning seats can be reserved at the opera house drug store. Admission 25 and 50 cents. Reserved seats 75 cents.

None Had Weapons.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Feb. 8.—On the resumption of the trial of Sheriff Martin and his deputies today John Costello, who testified yesterday, was recalled. He said he saw eight wounded men on the road from Farley's hotel to Lattimer and three were dead. He found no weapons on any of them.

Will Celebrate Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. George P. Hardy will celebrate their golden wedding at the home of their son, T. C. Hardy, of Riverside Place on Tuesday, February 15. The hours will be from 8 to 9 and 9 to 11. Guests will be present from Bloomington, Shelbyville and Beloit, Wis.

Supply House.

The Vandalia is building a small house between the baggage and mail rooms at the depot. The place will be used to store supplies of the road.

Why are stars the best astronomers? Because they have studded (studied) the heavens since creation.

ENGLAND'S QUEEN

Addresses Parliament as to Pending Questions.

BIG MONEY FOR THE NAVY

Significant Words to the House of Commons—Empire to be Defended at Any Cost—Legislation.

London, Feb. 8.—The fourth session of the 14th parliament of Queen Victoria and the 26th of the United Kingdom, opened this afternoon with the customary ceremonies. The queen's speech opened with a statement of the conclusion of peace between Greece and Turkey and the expression of the hope that obstacles to autonomous government for Crete would be overcome. Her majesty sketched the conditions in the Soudan. She spoke of the depression in the British West Indian possessions as the result, to a large extent, of the sugar bounty systems of European states, for the abrogation which communications are now passing between those states and the British government. The Indian outbreak was dealt with at length. One of the most significant paragraphs is the opening one, addressed to the house of commons. It says: "Estimates which will be laid before you have been framed with the utmost desire for economy, but in view of the enormous armaments now maintained by other nations the duty of providing for the defense of the empire involves expenditures beyond former precedents."

Among the matters of legislation to be proposed the speech says measures will be introduced for the "organization of a system of local government in Ireland substantially similar to Great Britain's."

TO ALASKA.

Decatur Citizens Have Started on Their Hunt for Gold.

The Conklin party left last night for Copper City, Alaska. Attorney W. H. Black and brother, F. Black, also left on the same train, but do not go as members of the party. They will go direct to the Klondike regions. They will sail from Seattle on the steamer Nago on the 16th of the month and will go over the famous Chilcoot pass via the aerial route which has recently been completed on the same plan as the cars or baskets are carried over the mountain passes in Europe and America. F. Black is an experienced blacksmith and will take an outfit and be prepared to sharpen tools and do all work in this line, which in the present state of affairs will probably be quite as profitable as gold digging. The company which has just completed the aerial route of the pass will begin at once to lay the foundation for a railroad of 150 miles. Thousands of men will be put to work at once, and it is expected by them to have the road completed in 120 days after the work is begun. This will make the trip to Klondike comparatively an easy one, eliminating all the dangers of the much dreaded Chilcoot pass and the rapids and citizens of Decatur visiting their friends in Klondike a few years hence will buy their ticket from Decatur to Klondike, will take a through Pullman sleeper and will experience no greater discomfort than they do now in a trip from New York to San Francisco.

A FALSE ALARM.

Fire Department Called to the Powers Block This Morning by Mistake.

The West Main street crew of the fire department was called to the Powers block this morning by mistake. The chemical and hose wagon drove up to the building and a large crowd of people was attracted and gathered in the neighborhood. An investigation revealed the fact that no one in the building had turned in an alarm. In the building there is a patent alarm system with boxes on each floor. In order to call the department a box must be broken, but it was found that none of the boxes were broken and it was discovered this afternoon that the wires had become crossed with an electric wire at the Brunswick corner. None of the boxes being broken it was impossible for the alarm to have been sent in from the building.

House Burned.

The house on the farm of A. G. Hayes of Christian county, who is quite well known in this city, burned down several nights ago. Mr. Hayes lost almost everything in his house.

J. C. LAKE DEAD

Well Known Resident of Decatur Passed Away.

IN LAW AND POLITICS

He was at One Time Prominent and Active—The Death Not Unexpected—The Life of the Deceased.

James C. Lake died at 1 o'clock this afternoon at his home, No. 442 North Water street. Mr. Lake's death was not unexpected to his friends, as he has been in a critical condition for several weeks past. For a number of years his health has been gradually failing and during the last few weeks he has hardly been expected to live from day to day.

The deceased was an attorney at law and although he had not practiced for the past 12 years he was at one time prominent at the bar of Macon county. He was one of the old residents of Decatur and was one of the most foremost men in politics in the Republican party of the county.

J. C. Lake was born April 17, 1833, at Mt. Blanchard, Hancock county, Ohio, and was nearly 65 years old. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Lake and lived with his parents until he was 17 years old. He then went to Logan county, Ohio, and studied law in the office of Walker and West, prominent attorneys. He was admitted to the bar in 1859. Mr. Lake came to Decatur in 1861 and had made his home in this city ever since. In an early day he was associated with the late Judge Gallagher as a law partner. He was a brilliant lawyer and as a politician was one of the most active. No one in the county ever did more work for or gave more money to his party while in active life than Mr. Lake. For the past 10 or 12 years Mr. Lake had not practiced law nor was he engaged in business. In 1867 he was appointed reigstrar of bankruptcy and had ever since held that position. He at one time served as alderman of the city and was also one of the officials of the county fairs when they were held in this city years ago. Mr. Lake was widely known and had many friends in this and other cities.

Mr. Lake was married to Charlotte Swan in November, 1863, at Bellefontaine, Ohio. His wife survives him. He also leaves three brothers, William A. Lake of Hancock county, Ohio; Dr. John J. Lake of DeWitt county, Ill., and Capt. Samuel M. Lake of Washington, D. C. The latter is now in the city. Mr. Lake also leaves one sister, Mrs. Martha Hamlin of Kansas City, Mo. He had two other brothers who are dead. Mrs. W. R. Abbott of this city is a cousin of the deceased and the late Judge Greer was his uncle.

The time of the funeral has not yet been decided upon, but will probably be held Wednesday afternoon.

Country Churches.

Rev. A. M. Danely will begin a series of revival meetings this evening at the Blue Mound chapel. He will hold services every night and occasionally in the day time.

Next Sunday Mr. Danely will preach at the regular hour, 10:30 a. m., at the Elwin church.

E. Wheaton, son-in-law of A. B. Camp, who recently went to Kansas for his health, is reported to be growing gradually worse.

Decatur 25 Years Ago.

An evidence of the great changes which are made in the business world in a period of 25 years is brought to light by a comparison of a business directory of Decatur issued by the Toledo, Wabash and Western railway in 1872, with that issued by Ebel in 1897. At this time only 31 of the firms who were in business in '72 now remain and out of this number only three are conducting their business under the name that was then used. They are Mrs. R. C. Hamsher, millinery; Miss Emma Williams, millinery, and J. G. Starr & Sons, wholesale and retail buggies, harness, etc.

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Royal Worcester, Teplitz, Royal Bonn, Dulton, Swedish and Rudolstadt go at one-half price in our great reduction sale.

E. D. Bartholomew Co.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure

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BY CLARENCE PULLEN.

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SYNOPSIS

The ship "Amaranth" is taking on a cargo of cryolite at Ivigtut, on the Greenland coast. One afternoon Laida Warhope, the Captain's daughter, and Harry Upshur, a young scientist, who has made the voyage with them, start out in the ship's dory for a sail. Laida is very venturesome, and as she is at the tiller, the young people find themselves well out in the open sea. A strong breeze arises. Still the girl is not yet ready to turn back. They see a large ice-pack drifting between them and the shore, then a fog suddenly settles around them. Upshur thinks that their only safety lies in keeping away from the ice and the shore until the fog lifts, but before long they find that the boat has drifted upon the ice pack. The young man decides to land upon it.

PART II.

A circumstance which had hastened Upshur's decision to disembark upon the ice pack was the shifting of the wind, which, after a brief lull, had suddenly breezed up from the westward. It was blowing strongly in gusts, with increasing force, and he feared that a squall was at hand, in which case, with wind and waves to contend against, the utmost efforts of two voyagers would not avail to keep the dory from drifting to their destruction against the ice pack. Already it was all he could do, rowing hard and constantly, with the help of Laida's oar at the stern, to keep the craft its distance, a half-dozen boat lengths from the edge, and to hold it to its course.

While the boat, under the impulse of Upshur's oar, remained stationary or went slightly to the southward, the ice field was moving steadily to the north so that from the dory a changing view of its side was obtained as it drew slowly along. The water being warmer than the air, the side of the pack had washed and wasted beneath the surface more rapidly than above, and the entire side, rising about six feet above the average surface, was overhanging. Its height above the water implied a thickness of 40 or 50 feet. Dimly could be discerned through the mist, as the waves receded, curious conformations worked in the overhanging sides by the action of the waves. Curiously-shaped holes, grottoes and arches, had been cut deeply in the green translucent ice, and the higher swells, rising to the top of the ice and passing under the side as they lowered, caused strange sobbings, moanings, and explosive sounds as the imprisoned air was driven from the caverns beneath. These were noises that had warned the voyagers they were nearing the pack, but the cause of other sounds they had heard were not as yet manifest.

Driven against the pack and washed in and out against and under its overarching edge, the boat might perchance survive for a time, but the fate of its occupants would be certain and disastrous. Upshur, spurred on to haste by each gust of the rising wind, anxiously scanned the forbidding ice wall in search of the least unfavorable point for landing. But one way offered to gain a footing on the pack—to put the boat end on against the upper edge on the high swell and take the chances of a quick leap to the ice at the moment of striking. Since this was to be done, the quicker it were attempted the better. But first he would try to get such a glimpse as he could of what lay immediately beyond the edge of the pack.

Holding his oar blade still in the water, he stood upright in the boat which, as it reared on the rising swell, gave him a momentary view. In the tossings of the light craft, it was no easy matter to keep his balance, and a lee lurch caused him to sit down suddenly, but not until he had seen as much of the level surface as was visible, shut off as it was, at a few yards from the edge, by the fog. Something else he saw which made the uncertainties of landing seem even less inviting

UPSHUR SHOUTED AND RAISED HIS OAR.

than before. Several, huge, recumbent, tawny forms, indistinctly seen through the mist, were lying prone upon the ice, as shapeless and inert as ledges lifting above a plain—all but one which seemed to him to be crawling along like an immense maggot. The vision of the vast, mysterious forms where he had expected only a glimpse of unbroken solitude, gave Upshur a foreboding of fresh dangers to be encountered, while at the moment he did not realize what form they might take.

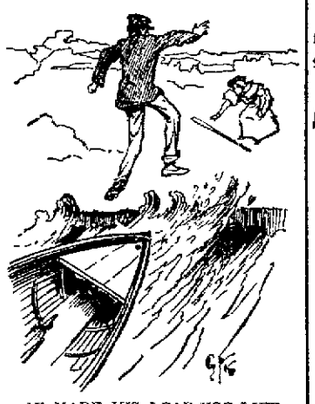
Of one thing he was certain, that it would not at any rate be advisable to try to disembark at that point, and he set his oar in the rowlock to pull further along the face of the pack in search of a more propitious landing place.

A startled cry from Laida caused him to stop short in his second stroke, with oar uplifted. She had started half up from the seat, shrinking appalled from a monstrous shape that had emerged from the water not half an oar's length from her elbow—a huge, round head, black muzzled, with long, stiff whiskers like a cat's. It's round, staring eyes were fixed upon her. From its convex upper jaw descended two great ivory tusks as long as swords.

Upshur shouted and raised his oar. Without a sound, the head disappeared in the depths. But with Laida's cry there broke forth a strange and mighty tumult upon the pack—a writhing, shuffling, thumping of massive bodies, with sharp strokes and gratings of pointed tusks against the ice. Out of the mist appeared monstrous bulky forms crowding forward as the herd of sleeping walruses, roused in affright by the unfamiliar sounds from the boat, floundered pell-mell to the verge of the pack to plunge and tumble headlong down into the sea.

Struggling, they fell and rolled upon one another as they struck the wave, but instantly disappeared beneath the churning waters, leaving boiling whirlpools and wakes of tossing foam behind them. By twos and threes and half dozens they crowded over the edge to the number of forty or fifty. Any one of them could have wrecked the boat in a second had he chosen to attack it, and the spray of their splashings came like driven rain aboard. The heads of several of the walrus rose within the view of the voyagers but quickly disappeared, none approaching the boat. The last walrus plunged from the pack, and soon the foam flecks on the waters were the only signs of the recent commotion.

The walruses had come and gone and the peril from them had passed with their passing. Now the landing must be attempted if ever. Between the voyagers and the present safety which the surface of the pack promised, rose that overhanging wall of ice, with its moaning caves and grottoes down into which the swelling wave was drawn after heaving to the top. Up that swell they must ride, with the gusty wind driving them on behind, to take their chance of disembarking, at the one moment possible, upon the floe. Upshur looked at Laida. Her cheek, which had paled



HE MADE HIS LEAP FOR LIFE.

at the onrushing of the walruses, had regained its color, her hand was steady at the oar, and she was ready to do her part in whatever was to be done.

"This is as good a place as any to make our landing," said Upshur, rowing hard as he spoke. "Will try it here. There is not room enough to risk turning the dory, and we must drift to the ice stern on. Pass me your oar, please. That's right! Now stand up and face the pack with one foot on the stern seat. When the stern rises to the edge be ready and leap as she touches. Be cool and quick to act, and you can't fail to land safe."

"But you! How will you get off?" cried Laida. "Leave you tossing afloat? Let us go or stay together."

Upshur with the two oars in the rowlocks was working to keep the boat's head to the swell as wind and wave drove her swiftly toward the pack. Resting against his knees was the sealer's roll of blankets, which he had found time to pick up from the bottom of the boat as he took Laida's oar.

"I'll swing back and land on the next wave," he said. "Now, no talking! Stand ready to spring and run from the edge the moment you strike the ice! Careful, careful! Keep good heart whatever happens, and remember that your father will be cruising for you as soon as the fog lifts. Now! Jump!"

As the stern lifted by the swell struck the edge of the ice with a sharp jar, Laida sprang lightly to the pack and ran ahead of the ripple that swept over the verge. After her, through the air, came something which, striking the ice, bounded along in the same direction. It was Eric's roll of blankets hurled from the dory. She turned to see Upshur pulling back into the swell.

Breathless she watched as, on the crest of the next wave, the dory rose once more to the verge of the pack. Upshur had dropped one oar, but carried the other in his hand as he crept astern. Wind and water were swinging the dory round and she came up to the edge half broadside on. A half boat's length away he pitched the oar far upon the ice and stood ready to jump. The edge of the floe at the point which the dory's stern would approach most nearly, deeply undermined by the washing of the waves, looked fragile and insecure.

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CHILDREN'S FOOD.

Study Will Not Hurt a Healthy Child.

"Many children at school," said a student of children, "appear to be stupid when they are only badly nourished. They may have plenty to eat without a sufficient amount of nourishment. Study will not hurt a healthy child. Good, hard thinking helps the circulation of the blood."

It might be added that the lack of nourishment is owing to ill-advised selection of food. Fruit, eggs, some meat, and good entire wheat bread with butter, all furnish excellent food for children.

Never, under any circumstances, should they be allowed to have coffee. All narcotics, like cigarettes or tobacco in any form, coffee, opium products, or any of that class of drugs, will most sadly scar the whole life of a growing child. Those who seek to assist the little one to grow up strong and healthy men and women will look carefully after their food and drink.

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What word may be pronounced quicker, by adding a syllable to it? Quick.

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What word is that to which if you add one syllable, it will be shorter? Short.

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What word by taking the first letter from it, makes you sick? Music.

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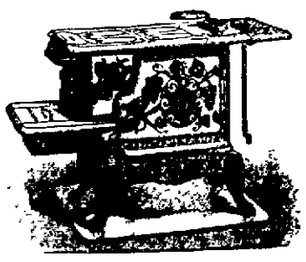

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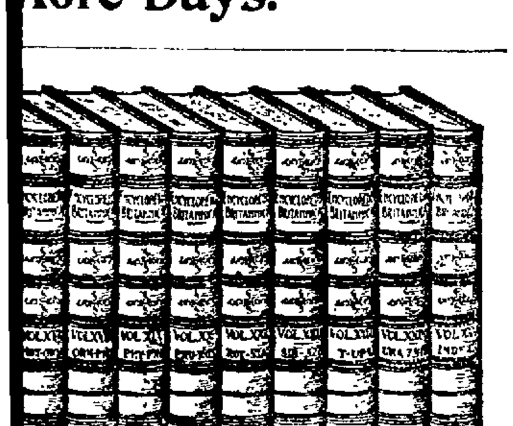

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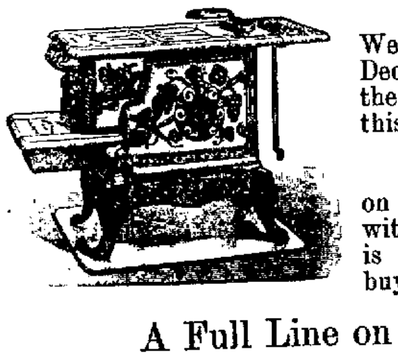

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STEIN--ATLASS.

Pretty Home Wedding at Lafayette, Ind, Sunday.

Sunday evening at 5 o'clock Calvin F. Stein, a merchant at Peoria, and Miss Belle Atlass were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Moses Atlass at Lafayette, Ind., in the presence of a large company of relatives and friends. The house decorations were elaborate and the wedding repast was perfect. Rev. J. Caddan performed the ceremony, with Sampson Stein of Winnipeg, Manitoba, and Miss Sarah Atlass as the attendants. Pilcher's orchestra played the wedding march. Harry Atlass was the master of ceremonies and Joseph Levy toastmaster at the feast. Every gentleman present responded to the toasts. And then came the dance. Mr. and Mrs. Max Atlass and daughter, Miss Goldie Atlass, of Decatur, were in attendance, the bride being a sister of Mr. Atlass. Many costly and useful gifts were presented the couple, who will reside at Peoria. The Lafayette Journal of Monday gave nearly a column account of the wedding.

WARBURTON CAUGHT.

Sheriff Nicholson Left for Minneapolis to Bring Back the Embezzler.

Sheriff Nicholson left last night for Minneapolis, Minn., and will bring back Harry Warburton, the young man from Harristown, who recently swindled his mother and left her in a deplorable state. The man was located at Minneapolis by Marshal Mason and Sheriff Nicholson. It was learned that Warburton had gone to Minneapolis and word was sent to the officers at that place to arrest him. A message was received last night stating that Warburton was arrested and that he would come to Decatur without requisition papers. Sheriff Nicholson, however, would not take the risk and went to Springfield first to get requisition papers from the governor. He will then be on the safe side in case Warburton should change his mind about being willing to come. There are four indictments against Warburton charging him with embezzlement and forgery. Warburton forged his mother's name to a check for $1000, which had been received for the crop raised on the farm and then rented the place and took the notes given him so that the mother and younger son will be compelled to move off the place the 1st of March and will have no means of making a living and are left penniless. Warburton will probably go to the penitentiary as there is a clear case against him.

CITY COUNCIL

Aldermen Held Their Meeting Last Night.

MONTHLY REPORTS HEARD

And Other Matters of Business Considered—Ordinance for Electrician's Fees was Turned Down.

The regular meeting of the city council was held last night. All of the aldermen were in attendance excepting Mr. Watson. There was a good deal of business to be transacted but there were few discussions and all matters were quickly dispatched.

Harry Shlaudeman asked the city for a rebate of $9.23, on account of having been charged for more curbing than was put down in front of his lots on Webster street. The matter was referred to the public improvement committee.

W. J. Magee and B. F. Young presented a petition asking that a petition which was previously presented to the council praying that East Division street be paved, be withdrawn from the consideration of the council. Another petition remonstrating against the petition for the paving was presented by Anna L. Turner, W. J. Magee and W. E. Redmon, who own two-thirds of the property on the street. The petitions were referred to the board of local improvement.

W. W. Stivers asked permission to put up a sign in front of his candy store at 337 North Water street. Referred to sidewalk and crossing committee.

Stadler and McClelland asked permission to put up a platform over the sidewalk in front of their place of business on North Franklin street. Referred to the sidewalk and crossing committee.

Herman and Augusta Herbrig asked for a rebate on the paving assessment on two lots in Carver's addition. Referred to the public improvement committee.

REPORTS.

The street superintendent reported that he has expended for cleaning streets $101.78, and for cleaning crossings, $153.06. The amount of lumber used during the month was 817 feet and the amount on hand 993 feet.

W. W. Mason, chief of police reported that 44 arrests had been made during the month. Fines assessed $60, fines collected $53.70, fees collected $14.40, amount turned over to treasurer, $68.10.

The water inspector reported a total expense for the month of $74.70. Thirteen leaks were discovered in the city mains and back water rents to the amount of $33.10 were collected.

The engineer of the water works reported that during the month 153 million gallons of water were pumped and the amount of coal consumed was 417 tons.

The council accepted a quit claim deed of J. R. Race to the city of Decatur for 30 feet off the west end of block 2 of S. H. Thompson's addition.

FINANCIAL REPORTS.

The report of the city comptroller showed that the total receipts for the month were $9,061.44, and the total expenditures $8369.56 The report of the city treasurer showed a balance in the bank of $6,902.72 in the general fund; $5,315 in the street paving fund; $318 in the sewer account and $19,670 in the sinking fund.

PAY ROLLS.

The pay rolls for the month were as follows: City officers $667.82; police department $1133.33, electric department $147.-42, street superintendent for cleaning streets $57.30, for cleaning crossings $76.60.

BILLS.

The clerk read a large number of bills for various things. It was decided that the bills should be paid out of the different funds as far as possible and where the funds were exhausted the bills should be referred to the finance committee and some provision made for their payment by that body.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The finance committee reported on the matter of the petition for the transfer of the city's contract for cremating dead animals. They recommended that the transfer be made to J. H. Wooland and that his bond be approved. Adopted.

The same committee also recommended that a bill of the Mueller Manufacturing Company for $18 be paid. Adopted.

LIQUOR BONDS.

The finance committee reported favorably on the bonds for liquor licenses and they were all approached by the council and licenses ordered issued.

ORDINANCES.

An ordinance was presented providing for the charging of fees by the city electrician when he makes examinations of electric lights. A motion was made to suspend the rules, but this was lost and the ordinance was then referred to the ordinance committee.

The clerk read another ordinance providing that the south 84 feet of the alley running north and south between North Edward and North College street between West Eldorado and West Cerro Gordo streets be vacated. The ordinance was adopted and the plat for the same was approved.

RESOLUTIONS.

That the city engineer bring the sewer inlet at the corner of West Wood streets and the Illinois Central tracks to grade. Referred to the public improvement committee.

That as it was expected North Church street will be paved next summer the street superintendent notify all property owners to put in their service pipes as soon as possible so that they will all be in when the time comes to lay the pavement. Adopted.

That in the future all persons indorsing liquor bonds certify on oath that they are worth in their own name $5000 or more. Referred to the finance committee.

That the water inspector ascertain what water pipes, valves and fittings are needed on streets which are to be paved next summer and that the city clerk advertise forbids for the same. Adopted.

FOR DECATUR COAL.

The committee composed of Mayor Taylor and Aldermen Ammann and Montgomery made a report recommending that mine run coal be bought from the Decatur Coal company at $1.25 per ton and all other small coal purchased from the same company whenever possible. When the slack and pea coal cannot be bought from the Decatur Coal company it is to be purchased at whatever other place it can be procured the cheapest. The report of the committee was adopted by the council.

REMONSTRATED.

A petition signed by a large number of the property owners on North Church street was presented. The signers asked that Church street be not paved for a year so that they could see more about the lasting qualities of the asphalt and compare it with the other pavings. The petition was tabled.

J. C. LAKE.

It was resolved that the council attend the funeral of J. C. Lake in a body.

A motion carried to name a committee of three to draft resolutions in memory of J. C. Lake.

The mayor appointed on this committee Young, Montgomery and Keefe.

AT THE GRAND.

HENRY E. DIXEY.

Two of the most beautiful illusions ever seen in this country are the Miracles of Chunder Hula and the Mystery of Mesrour, two oriental mysteries presented this season by Henry E. Dixey in his gorgeous scenic production of magic, mirth, mystery and mimicry. Both of these illusions are founded on legends of the far east and for their presentation Dixey carries with him two high caste Hindoo Necromancers. Dixey will be seen at the Powers' Grand Wednesday February 9.

"PUDD'NHEAD WILSON."

Frank Mayo's dramatic adaptation of Mark Twain's "Pudd'nhead Wilson" which scored such a great success here last season and which returns to the Grand on Thursday night, has put on the stage a half score of quaint and lovable people. The scenes are laid in Missouri the characters are Missourians of the antebellum days, who thought that next to going to heaven they would enjoy a trip to St. Louis. Mr. Edwin Mayo, son of the dramatist, plays the title role, an eccentric, wise, witty old village lawyer, who patiently waits nearly a quarter of a century for his first client. In the meantime he interests himself and amuses his passing leisure in taking prints of the balls of the thumbs of his neighbors on bits of glass, filing them away that he might study the curious lines, curves, whirls, loops and flourishes that adorn the thumb of every human being, and the wonder of it all is that there are no two among the millions of this earth that are alike. This fad of his with his many other eccentricities leads to Dave Wilson being called by his neighbors a "pudd'nhead." The company is excellent. The jurors are perfect. The men in their old-time costumes and tall hats, the like of which has not been seen in this generation, are a joy to the eye.

Royal Neighbors' Reception.

Last night the regular meeting of Olive Branch Camp, Royal Neighbors, was held at the hall in Powers' Block, followed by a banquet served by the ladies in honor of several visitors from out of the city including Mrs. H. L. Ferguson, Mrs. J. A. Sleeter and Mrs. Berba Raupp, Blue Mound; Mrs J. M. White and Mrs. E. DeLand, White Heath. For the instruction and entertainment of the visitors the degree staff of the lodge exemplified the floor work of the order. After the work of the evening was concluded the refreshments were served in the dining room and the members of the lodge and their guests remained for a couple of hours and indulged in cards and dancing.

Y. M. C. A. Star Course.

Tonight at the opera house Marshall P. Wilder and his assisting Star artists will appear in the sixth number of the Y. M. C. A. Star Course. There is no entertainer living, or ever has lived, who has enjoyed the distinction of appearing before and 'smiling with" such audiences and personages as has Mr. Wilder. He is familiarly known as the "prince of entertainers and the entertainer of princes." The gallery will be opened tonight and 10 cents will admit you to that part of the house.

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"Bob" Burdette Tickles a Vast Audience.

THE TABERNACLE CROWDED

"Good medicine" Received with Enthusiasm—One of the Best of the Course—The Next Attraction.

Last night was another record breaker in the lecture course given at the Christian tabernacle. As early as yesterday morning every seat was taken and last night 125 extra seats were sold and the holders seated on the platform. Altogether it was the largest house of the season in this course of entertainments. Robert J. Burdette, the famous humorist, was the attraction and when he walked onto the stage accompanied by Rev. George Hall, there was a perfect storm of applause, men clapped their hands and women waved their handkerchiefs and the fourth appearance of Burdette in Decatur was received with enthusiasm which was evidence of his growing popularity with the Decatur public.

Mr. Burdette looks just as he did years ago when he made his bow to the Decatur people in "The Rise and Fall of the Mustache," at the old Smith opera house. His subject last night was "Good Medicine." "Humor is not natural," he said "it is developed. A man is not born with a sense of humor; he acquires it; it is an education. Very few people see a joke in the same day, it takes others a week or a month and some never see it until after death, at least, they never give any evidence of seeing it while alive. A man's humor is something that is susceptible to cultivation and training. It is the man who has the most trouble who finds the most humor in life. A prosperous man has nothing to laugh at; it is the man who is in trouble that can see the ridiculous side of his troubles and who laughs. The greatest humorists in the world were men who suffered the most. Liston, Burns, Hood, Lamb, all were men who had great troubles and sorrow in their lives We must suffer to know how to enjoy; we must be able to look on the right side and fully appreciate the part we are playing in our so-called troubles. We cannot appreciate a joke while we are suffering, but it is there and can be found and enjoyed."

No one can say the ridiculous things that Burdette does in his slow, drawling monotonous way, even if he can repeat the words. The short stories that made the "medicine" for those who needed and wanted to laugh were punctured with applause. His stories are all stories of happenings which come to all in the course of life and could be fully appreciated and even if some of them are, as he says, thousands of years old, they are of experiences which were real and which are being repeated over and over again today.

In his own inimitable way Burdette alone can dress them in a new garb and call forth applause for his skill.

Mr. Burdette's personal experience with the bicycle as a beginner and the "hot time" he had with the feather beds at the old homestead back in old Pennsylvania were stories which were received with great enthusiasm by the audience.

In closing Mr. Burdette spoke affectionately and with words of commendation of Marshall P. Wilder, who will be seen at the opera house tonight in the Y. M. C. A. course.

The next number of the course given at the tabernacle will be Prof. L. M. Spedon, the cartoonist and impersonator.

The Grocers' Meeting.

The annual state meeting of the retail grocers' association began at Jacksonville today and will last for several days. The annual banquet of the association will be held and matters pertaining to the grocery business will be discussed. The credit system will be one matter which will receive the consideration of the grocerymen and another question will be that of the new garnishee law. Those who left Decatur this morning to attend the convention were J. G. Cloyd and Fred Kipp. Others who will be in attendance are J. B. Fritz, Elmer Culver, Lister Wymond and Henry Sohlie.

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WEATHER.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Illinois: Showers tonight and Wednesday; probably colder Wednesday night; brisk southerly winds.

One effect of the new tariff is the transferring of a number of manufacturing establishments from European countries to the United States, thus bringing in new capital and giving additional employment to American labor. Reports from Birmingham, Ala., show that an English firm is about investing $2,000,000 in the construction of a new steel plant at that place; advice from Carlspar, Germany, indicates that a prominent manufacturer of velvet of that place is arranging to transfer his establishment to Mystic, Conn., and reports from France indicate that silk manufacturers of that country are contemplating the transfer of their establishments to America.

The advocates of pure Jacksonian Democracy may find some difficulty in adjusting some of the remarks of Secretary Gage at Philadelphia the other day, in which he showed that President Jackson signed the act which brought in the regime of the gold standard. While this law did not formally close the mints to silver, it put the penalty of financial loss upon those offering silver for coinage at the mints through a carefully arranged discrimination, and the result was just what both Benton and Jackson had foreseen. Silver, being worth more as bullion than as dollars, did not come to the mint, and this was the status in 1873, when the silver dollar, which had become practically an obsolete coin, was dropped out all as a result of the act signed by that father of the Democracy.

The assertion that gold has appreciated received a knockout blow from Secretary Gage in his Philadelphia speech the other day, in which he showed that a given amount of labor, the real measure of all valuations, will now command more gold than in 1872. He showed first from the exhaustive figures of the commissioner of labor that wages increased 10 per cent between 1872 and 1891, and that prices of the articles which laborers must buy with their wages decreased materially meantime. In 1872 $100 in gold would buy a certain amount of living, while in 1891 prices had so much fallen that $100 would buy 27½ per cent more than it did in 1872. Wages having meantime increased 10 per cent, the same work which commanded $100 in 1872 received $110 in 1891, and from the double advantages of increased wages and decreased prices, a given quantity of labor would in 1891 purchase nearly one half more than it did in 1872.

It is whispered that Senator Teller's activity in pressing the resolution for the payment of United States bonds in silver dollars is for the purpose of attracting attention to himself as a presidential candidate for 1900. The presidential fever has raged in Senator Teller's breast since the winter preceding the nomination of 1896, and it is asserted with very good authority that he was the candidate determined upon for the nomination by the coterie of silver senators including Jones, Harris, Stewart and others of that class who supposed they had the pins set up for the control of the Chicago convention. Mr. Bryan's dramatic performance knocked them out, but did not extinguish the fires of presidential ambition which existed in the mind of Senator Teller, who is now putting himself in training for the campaign of 1900. The fact that Mr. Teller will be 70 years old in 1900 will, however, have a somewhat depressing effect upon his prospects, while the average Democrat and Democratic convention does not take very kindly to the selection for so important an office of a man so new to its ranks and principles.

The Silver Issue.

If the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 had the dignity of a principle it would not be necessary to resort to the intrigues which the silver leaders resort to keep it on its feet as an issue.

If it were an honest conviction instead of a makeshift to get the Democratic party back into power it would not be necessary to send men of the Rev. Jones type who are willing to work for wage, to travel over the country organizing "money clubs" with the expectation of being able to commit unsuspecting people to this Democratic scheme to get back into power. As a matter of principle and logic the free coinage of silver would stand no show at all before the people. Arguments in its favor would fall upon deaf ears and for the reason its advocates dare not appeal to the reason of men but depend upon appeals to passion and prejudice. The poor are told that they are poor because some are rich; that the rich have demonetized silver to make the rich richer and the poor poorer and then the montebank holds out the delusion that the free coinage of silver would give the poor an advantage over the rich. It is by such rot as this and the organization of clubs and other intrigue that the Democratic leaders expect to regain power. If free silver was all right it would be able to stand upon its merits if it had any. The fact that these schemers are resorted to, show that it is a fraud.

Japanese Child Labor.

Some details of the manufacture of jute rugs in Japan are given in the "Indian Textile Journal of December, 1897. The seat of this industry is the town of Sakai, situated about eight miles south of Osaka. Its population is about 48,000. The rugs are made principally of jute, the number of people employed in the manufacture being about 9600, mostly children—girls and boys between 7 and 16 years old. There are 2400 looms in 800 houses, giving an average of three looms to each house, and each loom is attended by four persons. The warps of the rugs are of cotton, but the weft is thick jute yarn, and the filling thin jute yarn. The designs are mostly Turkish and Persian imitated), very few of the old flower (Japanese) designs being now made. The price ranges from 3d to 4d per square foot, according to the quantity of material used. When the weavers are fully employed in filling orders, they can turn out 4800 square yards daily. The yarn used in filling orders, they can turn out 4800 square yards daily. The yarn used in this manufacture is principally imported from Calcutta.

In the course of last year the Sakai weavers have made a step forward by turning their attention to the manufacture of wool rugs, and they are now able to turn out a very creditable article, which, in appearance and durability, is almost equal to a Turkish carpet. Although this branch of the industry is yet in its infancy it employs 120 looms in 50 houses and 48 weavers, and can turn out 120 square yards daily. The warps and weft are cotton, the filling wool yarn, and the prices range from 6d to 1s per square foot. Most of the wool yarn is manufactured from Chinese raw wool spun in Osaka. An important improvement in the rug business is the attention now paid to dyeing colors. Fast dyes and beautiful shades are taking the place of their former attempts in this respect, and there seems no question that the quality of their article is now much superior to what it was a year ago.

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An Interesting Letter from the Eastern Metropolis.

The Unusual Course of Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr.—A New Scheme of Tom Johnson — Street Railroads and Parks.

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New York, Feb. 4.—The reported intention of Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., to take a post-graduate college course is causing almost as much gossip as his marriage to T. R. Wilson's daughter and the accompanying paralytic stroke of Cornelius Vanderbilt, Sr., stirred up several years ago. Not that there is anything out of the way in the son of a multi-millionaire, who is also the son-in-law of another very rich man, devoting himself to study; far from it. But the people seem to fail utterly to fathom the young man's motive. For it is truly an unusual thing for so "well fixed" a young man to study any more than he has to, and it is likewise uncommon in this country for a man to return to college after he has married.

But with all their gossiping over the matter few New Yorkers seem to have discovered young Mr. Vanderbilt's real reason for going back to his books, and when the facts are known there will probably be more gossiping than ever. The fact is, according to a gentleman who ought to be well posted, that the scion of the great railroad king's house has determined to show his father and the world at large that he has a good deal more in him than has hitherto been suspected. He proposes carving out a career for himself along lines of sufficient novelty, so far as young Americans of the richer sort are concerned, to win general respect. To this end, says my informant, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., will eventually take up the study of the healing art with a view to entering the profession of medicine, for which he has long had a decided liking. And when he has been graduated he means to make the doctoring of diseased humanity as serious a calling as he could were he poor instead of rich.

A Pioneer in a Way.

In a way, young Vanderbilt will be a pioneer. I have never heard of a similar case. His uncle George has taken up arboriculture and the collection of old books and is probably fairly entitled to his reputation as a scholar, but that is vastly different from entering a regular profession.

Whether the young man's pill-rolling plans were known to his father before the latter's illness and whether they helped to bring on the disorder from which he is suffering is a matter upon which my friend was not informed, but it can be readily understood that this might have been the case. It has long been a settled policy of the Vanderbilt family that the oldest son of the leading branch should invariably take the chief management of its vast interests on his shoulder. When Commodore Vanderbilt died his oldest son, William H., became at once the chief in command of the Central railroad as well as the head of the house; when William H. was called away his oldest son was in turn made chief, and the present Cornelius, Sr., is well understood to have had similar plans for the present Cornelius, Jr.

If the young man should carry out his indicated schemes, those of the father would certainly fall through, even if the marriage with Miss Wilson were eventually to be forgiven.

Information comes from the source already noted that Dave Morris, son of the race-track magnate, who married Miss Shepard, daughter of the late Col. Elliott F. Shepard and cousin of young Vanderbilt, is also inclined to adopt the medical profession. Perhaps the two young men will form a partnership and hang out a shingle together, though it is a haphazard guess nothing more.

Johnson's New Scheme.

I see that the Nassau Electrical Railroad company over in Brooklyn, which is only another name for Tom Loftin Johnson, formerly of Cleveland and elsewhere, purposes going into the amusement business by building a theater, surrounded by golf links, baseball grounds, cricket grounds and other facilities for the enjoyment of outdoor amusements and exercise by its patrons at the Coney Island end of the line. I am willing to wager that the venture will be a profitable one, too, not because all Coney Island amusement ventures make money, for they don't by a long shot, but because the venture is Tom Johnson's.

In fact, nobody ever heard of Johnson losing money on anything. He once told me unctuously that the making of money was the easiest thing in the world—for him—and that when he took up the study of the single tax theory, some years ago, it was because he wanted to occupy his mind with something or other for a brief period each day in which there would be a chance to turn a penny's profit. If he goes on piling up wealth a few years longer as rapidly as he has of late, the time may come when he will run a close race with the most famous millionaires in the country. For, according to all accounts, there are only a very few men in all the United States who are getting richer at a proportionately faster rate than he. His enterprises are multiple, they are scattered about in a lot of widely-separated cities, and not one is being operated unprofitably.

Street Railroads and Parks.

The creation of an amusement place at the end of a street railroad line in order to make business for the road is not at all a novel thing. But there are few among my readers, perhaps, who realize the amount of capital that has been invested in such enterprises in the United States within the last few years. Unfortunately I cannot give authentic figures here and now, but could they be had, the total would unquestionably run away up in the millions. In many of the smaller cities the trolley magnates have a good deal more money invested in parks than the cities themselves, and when the investments have been made with good judgment the results have been highly satisfactory from the financial viewpoint.

There is no surer way for trolley companies to bring on bankruptcy swift and complete, however, than to load up with parks or other amusement places that are too expensive for the communities in which they are located. Here and there all over the country the observant traveler may find abundant proof, in the shape of receiverships, rickety trolley roadbeds and badly run-down power-houses, that this statement is an entirely sane one. The bad luck that has resulted from such mistakes has caused complete change of plans on the part of some trolley managers and on the part of others an unalterable determination not to go ahead with their plans until those who have already ventured have had a little more experience.

Meanwhile articles about the cost and best methods of establishing parks and the like, for the guidance of intramural and suburban transportation managers, are among the strongest features of the street railway class journals; their pages, which were formerly enlivened by nothing more attractive than drawings of machinery and diagrams of tracks, are now fairly radiant with half-tone pictures of beautiful bits of scenery, artificial waterfalls, little hills and vales created with the plow and scraper, and groves of planted trees.

A Klondike Woman.

A few days ago the dispatches told the story of a woman who had just come out of the Klondike region with a net of some $15,000 worth of gold dust. This woman was said to have been the second to return from the gold mines of the frosty north this winter, but there are ex-Klondike miners now in New York who say she was not by any means.

The woman who was really second to return from the Klondike, they say, passed through New York on the way to England not many weeks ago. She had been north for nearly a year and had gold dust worth $90,000 and over in her possession, which she was going to have turned into coin in London. Besides she had assignments and deeds of claims showing "pay dirt" worth at least $250,000. She was a very handsome woman and she had no intention of going back to the Yukon region. She meant to live in Europe all the rest of her life, and she thought it not impossible, she told a member of the New York Klondike colony, that her wealth might enable her to marry well in England.

Meanwhile the Klondike fever is gradually increasing among New Yorkers and a large number of prospectors will undoubtedly go to the fields from this town during the coming year. Men who have recently returned from Alaska, or by reason of previous visits there, are overwhelmed by questions and courtesies, and invitations to drink. Farewell dinners to prospective Klondikers, too, are frequently heard of, and it is reported from the shops were such things are sold, that the good-luck pins made of real four-leaved clovers, preserved between pieces of glass, are selling better than ever before, to be given to departing Klondike prospectors and worn by them for luck in the north.

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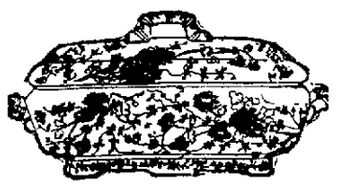
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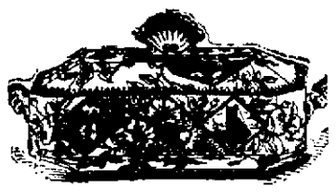
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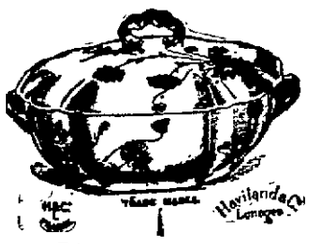
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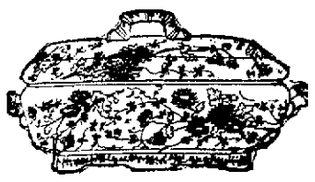

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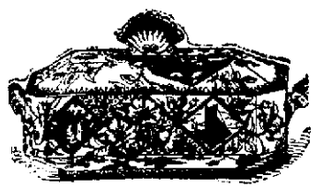

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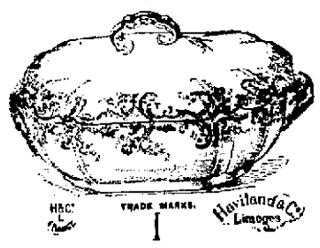

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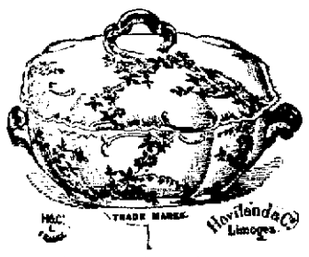

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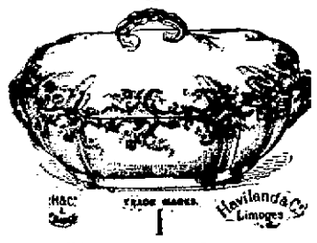

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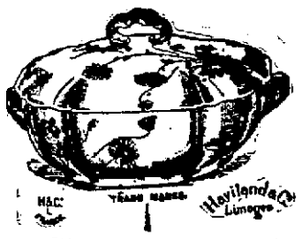

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On every vessel of war that flies the stars and stripes there are a number of boys from 15 to 20 years old who are known as apprentices. They are learning to be able seamen, meaning that when they reach that degree of proficiency in seamanship they will be able to "hand, reef and steer."

Before they are placed aboard the war craft and become part of the vessel's complement of workers, it is necessary they should be given a course in seamanship, for a green boy aboard a man-of-war is about as useless an article as can be imagined. For some years past the old Alliance has served as a vessel of instruction for these boys, but old age and steady service have so told upon the ship that she has been forced to lie by for awhile and the navy department has provided as her substitute the new and fast gunboat Vicksburg.

A handsomer ship than the Vicksburg does not fly the United States flag. She is as trim as a swallow and has some very good records to her credit, in spite of her youth. Just how she looks can be learned from the accompanying illustration, which is from a photograph taken especially that the boys who read this article may know exactly how the Vicksburg looks.

On the navy lists she appears as an "unarmored composite gunboat of barkentine rig." She was built at Bath, Me., and represents all that is newest and best in her particular fashion of ship building. She is 168 feet long, and her extreme breadth is 36 feet. When her armament and crew are aboard her mean draft is eight feet and her maximum draft aft thirteen feet one inch. Her displacement is 1,000 tons.

Down in her engine-room is a single screw, vertical, triple-expansion engine, which will furnish power to drive her through the water at an average speed of 12 knots an hour. Her maximum indicated horse power is 800. If the reader will think these facts over carefully, and remember that a gunboat is a much smaller vessel than a cruiser, it will be easy to see that the boys who sail aboard the Vicksburg will have an advantage that has never before fallen to the lot of a green apprentice.

It must be understood that the Vicksburg is by no means a school ship. The boys on a school ship are not in training for the navy, although an officer of the navy is in command of the ship. On the Vicksburg, however, every boy is enlisted for a term of five years' service. From the day he slings his hammock he is amenable to the discipline of the United States navy and begins at once to learn what the duties of Uncle Sam's sailors are.

In the old days it used to be necessary for naval apprentices to have actual experience in a sailing vessel, but this is not a requisite now, and while the boys are required to study practical seamanship in so far as sailing vessels are concerned, they do not become adepts in the knowledge so necessary to those who intend to follow the sea in the serivce of the merchant marine.

Gunnery is what the naval apprentices must learn. Every one of them has to serve in some capacity as one of the crew of a gun. It is rapidly becoming the case that the ordinary seaman's most direct road to promotion lies in his knowledge of gunnery and the skill he develops in sighting a gun.

There is no favoritism aboard the Vicksburg, and every boy jack who forms one of her complement will have the same chance to fit himself for the duties he has seen fit to take up. In order that there may be the fullest opportunity for this, the training ship takes frequent cruises and her juvenile crew is given every aid to become familiar with the workings of such guns as a light-draft gunboat like the Vicksburg carries.

As a matter of fact, the Vicksburg is just now absent on one of those self same cruises and her boy crew is being exercised in all the points of the drill every day except Sunday. The routine of life aboard the Vicksburg is exactly that which exists on the Helena, the gunboat that started for the Asiatic station not long ago, but is lying in one of the ports in the Azores and waiting the result of the Cuban trouble.

In this way the apprintices become thoroughly acustomed to the discipline aboard ship, so that when they are drafted to such vessels as the Indiana or Brooklyn, they will feel quite at home, and be of service instead of getting in everybody's way through ignorance.

For several years past there has been a notable improvement in the class of sailors that man the ships of the United States navy. Leading naval officers declare that the apprentices have brought this about. The result of it is that the men of our navy as a whole rank higher than those of any navy in the world. So that it can easily be seen that the boy with a seafaring instinct who wants to try his fortune outside of the officers' quarters can be sure that the jack tar who wears the blue of Uncle Sam has every reason to be proud of his calling.

A MUSICAL BICYCLE.

It Gives Concerts for the Rider While He Scorches.

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The musical bicycle has become an accomplished fact. It is to German genius that we owe it and it is as curious as many other of those strange inventions which have come out of the land of the Kaiser. It is something on the principle of the music box and yet unlike it. It plays by the grace of the front wheel of the bike.

The first of these inventions to cross the ocean has just arrived in the United States and an inspection of it causes one to marvel at the ingenuity displayed. The "works" are attached to the handle bar. From them downward to the edge of the front wheel extends a series of rubber shod and tiny bars of steel. It is the action of the wheel upon these bars that communicates the vibrations to the works above, and the time in which the tune is played is regulated by the speed of the wheel.

For instance, the particular musical bike which has come to the United States plays only German tunes and of course includes among the number "Die Wacht am Rhein." The musical machinery is set to the required tune something after the fashion of a hand organ. This done all that is necessary to do is to mount and ride. One has no idea what a difference time makes in the national tune of the fatherland until he hears the musical bike reel it off.

Perhaps the most striking of the bike's accomplishments is its rendering of "In Tiefen Keller." It almost seems as if the wheel itself entered into the spirit of this famous German melody and the way the music rolls out under the influence of a ten-mile-an-hour gait is as exhilarating in its influence as the riding itself. The genius who arranged the compositions for the wheel in question evidently thought, too, that variety was the spice of life, for the third of the compositions which it renders is that highly interesting little Munich ballad the finale of which "Yater, Yater, Yater—Yater; Yater," has caused many a student cheer.

The musical bike will give a concert of an hour's duration without readjustment, playing its programme over and over and over until the limit has been reached, when it is necessary to infuse new life by means of a new arrangement. Thus far only one of these strange contrivances has come to us, but it is quite likely that before another quarter of a year has elapsed there will be more. In fact the dealers say that this bike is likely to come into public notice with the flowers of May, though it may not prove as welcome an acquisition to the public pleasure.

Didn't Affect Him.

Horrified Old Lady—Oh, kind sir, think of your mother! Think of your mother!

Burglar (sternly)—No, use, lady—I wuz brought up in an incubator.—Tit-Bits.

5,000 PAIRS OF SHOES
And RUBBERS
In Powers' Bargain Basement, One-Half Block East of Transfer House--East Side.

5,000 Pairs of Good Shoes to be sold as shoes were never sold before; shattering all shoe selling records and causing all well posted buyers within 35 miles of Decatur to talk of Powers' Phenomenal Shoe Prices. All Shoes and Rubbers are splendid for wear; many are the Spring styles of the finest qualities; the pick, the cream of all offerings at half, one-third and one-quarter prices—with a splendid provision of sale place in our well lighted basement. It is more than ever apparent that this sale appeals with singular appropriateness not only to our own customers but to the customers of all other shops.

FOR $1.50 — Ladies' fine hand turned oxblood $4.00 shoe; Ladies' spring heel patent leather shoe, cloth tops, $4 grades; New York make; Ladies' welt sewed all kid shoe, $3.00 grade; Ladies' spring heel or heel cloth top, button, Merriam Shoe Co. make, $3.00—All go at $1.50

$1.00 — Merriam Misses' finest shoes, all sizes and widths, $2.50 grade, in tans, kid tops, and fifteen other lots at One-Third Price.

25c, 50c and 75c. — Children's Shoes, made by J. T. Cousin, Merriam Shoe Co. and John Ennis; worth up to $2.00, choice.

25c. — Ladies' All Wool Leggins for bicycle—$1.00 value.

18c. — Men's Holdfast Rubbers, first quality, 75c grade.

28c — Ladies' finest Rubbers, light weight, for 28c— Regular 50c kind.

$2.00 — A broken lot of Hannon & Son's Fine Shoes, $5.00 and $6.00 value. This is the price of common shoes.

200 OTHER BARGAINS---TOO LONG LIST TO PRINT.

POWERS' ONLY SHOE STORE, 143 EAST MAIN ST., South Side.

I am not connected with any other shoe store in Decatur. My store on East Main street is absolutely my only place of business. GEO. W. POWERS.

MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 8.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Yes'day.
Wheat—					
Feb	—	—	—	98	98
May	94⅝	96⅛	94⅝	96⅛	94⅞
July	83⅞	85⅛	83⅞	85⅛	84⅛
Corn—					
Feb	—	—	—	27¼	27¼
May	29	29¼	29	29¼	29⅛
July	30¼	30⅜	30¼	30⅜	30⅛
Oats—					
Feb	—	—	—	24	24
May	24⅝	24⅞	24⅝	24⅞	24⅜
Pork—					
May	10.35	10.45	10.30	10.42	10.40
Lard—					
May	4.95	5.05	5.95	5.02½	5.02
Ribs—					
May	5.05	5.15	5.05	5.12½	5.12½

May wheat: Puts, —; Calls, —; Curb, —.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—87; Estimated, 78; a year ago, 37
Corn—610; Estimated, 670; a year ago, 488
Oats—291; Estimated, 325; a year ago, 594.

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 67; Corn, 450; Oats, 200.

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 35,000. Estimated 31,000.
Market steady.
Light, $3.75@3.95; Mixed $3.50@3.97; Heavy $3.85@4.00; Rough, $3.75@3.80.
Estimated for to-morrow, 33,000.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 3,500. Market steady.

Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centres in the stomach, gently stimulates the liver and kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or $1.00 per bottle at the drug stores of J. E. King and C. F. Shilling.

PERSONAL TAX NOTICE.

All persons having Personal Tax against them on the tax books for 1897, have been mailed a card stating the amount for the same. You are requested to call at my office and pay the same and save additional costs.

Bring your postal cards with you. Leave your receipts for last year in order to expediate the finding of property.

Office open evenings until 9 o'clock.

LANDY H. MARTIN,
Collector.

Which is the strongest day in the week? Sunday—all the rest are week days.

Wonders Never Cease.

No one need suffer the tortures of rheumatism, because that modern liniment, Salvation Oil, positively cures it. "I was a great sufferer from sciatic rheumatism, and the best of doctors attended me without relief. I commenced using Salvation Oil, and two bottles helped me wonderfully. It certainly has worked wonders with me. Mrs. E. J. Phelps, Box 28, Enfield, Conn." Salvation Oil is for sale by all dealers for 25 cts. Take no substitute.

WILL WED TO-NIGHT.

Marriage of Ira Fleming and Miss Daisy Imoden Will Occur.

The marriage of Ira Fleming and Miss Daisy Imboden will take place this evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus M. Imboden, on West North street. The ceremony is to be performed by Rev. D. F. Howe of Springfield. The groom is the son of George A. Fleming and the bride the daughter of C. M. Imboden. Both are well known in this city.

APPOINTMENTS.

Places Given Out Today by the President.

Washington, Feb. 8.—The president has nominated N. R. Malcolm commissioner for Alaska; Edward Knott, marshal for the northern district of Iowa; Commander F. M. Bunce, to be rear admiral. Postmasters for Illinois, Frank Yeager, Lanark; E. H. Ashe, Geneseo.

Louis Sibley Recovered.

Louis Sibley, who several months ago was accidentally shot with a shot gun while out hunting, has about recovered and is able to walk with the assistance of a cane. He for a time suffered with lock jaw and was seriously ill, but recovered.

Will Give a Social.

The members of the local lodge of the Knights of Maccabee will give a social tomorrow evening at the K. of P. hall in the Library block. A large number of tickets have been sold and the entertainment is to be a nice affair.

Axle Broken.

Chief of Fire Department Devore while driving across Lincoln square this morning had the axle of his wagon broken. The accident was caused by the wheel catching in the street car tracks.

Assembly Club.

The members of the Assembly club will give their last ball of the season this evening at the Guards' armory. There will be about 100 persons present and the entertainment will be the handsomest that the members of the club have given this season.

Corn at Lintner.

There has been a good deal of corn moving in the country within the at few days. Yesterday 18 car loads of corn were shipped from Lintner and at 6 o'clock about 80 wagons were waiting to be unloaded.

Will Give a Ball.

The young men employed at Bradley Bros. store will give a ball to the young women clerks on Thursday evening at the Guards' armory.

Everybody's liable to itching piles. Rich and poor, old and young—terrible the torture they suffer. Only one sure cure. Doan's Ointment. Absolutely safe; cannot fail. Sold by all druggists.

—Mrs. Lillian Greenwalt and little daughter, departed this afternoon for their home, after a long visit with Mrs. J. W. Clymer and family.

—Miss Nora Ford of Illiopolis is the guest of Decatur friends today.

—Miss Ethel Dimmock will go to Peoria tomorrow for a visit of three or four weeks with friends and relatives.

—Norman Coughlin will spend tomorrow in Springfield.

POWERS' GRAND OPERA HOUSE
J. F. GIVEN, Manager.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9th.

The Incomparable Adonis,
MR. HENRY E.
DIXEY,
In his marvelous spectacular poduction of Magic, Mirth, Mystery and Mimicry.

2 Carloads of Scenery and Apparatus. 2

EMBELISHING
The Illusion Luoni,
The Mystery of Meerour,
The Miracles of Chunder Hula,
The Palace of Enchantment,
The Illusion Diablo,
Pierrot Among the Gogi,
—AND—
Twenty Minutes With Dixey.

—PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.—
Tickets on sale at the Opera House Drug Store Monday morning.

POWERS GRAND OPERA HOUSE
J. F. GIVEN Manager.

THURSDAY, FEB. 10,

Second Engagement of that Universal Success,
PUDD'NHEAD WILSON
As Dramatized by Frank Mayo.
A play that has taken its place among the classics.
BEAUTIFUL STAGE SETTINGS
The same excellent supporting company with
MR. EDWIN MAYO
in the title role.
A story of love, comedy and pathos enlivened with MARK TWAIN'S witticisms.

—PRICES—25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.—
Seats on sale at the Opera House Drug Store Tuesday morning.

Ask Your Druggist for a generous 10 Cent Trial Size.
Ely's Cream Balm
contains no cocaine, mercury nor any other injurious drug
It is quickly Absorbed
Gives Relief at once.

CATARRH

COLD IN HEAD

It opens and cleanses the Nasal Passages. Allays Inflammation. Heals and Protects the Membrane. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. Full size 50c; Trial size 10c; at Druggists or by mail.
ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren Street, New York

Assignee Sale
ABEL CARPET WALL PAPER CO.
Entire stock at a price.
Many articles one-half off.
J. W. RACE, Assignee.
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SOME TREASURY NOTES.

How Greenbacks Are Made and Handled by Uncle Sam.

New Notes Lie in the Vaults for a Year Before Being Issued—Work and Opportunities of John R. Brown.

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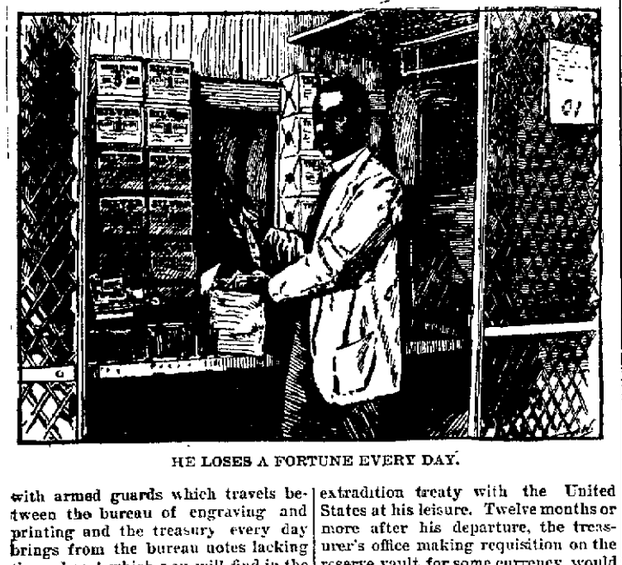
Washington, Jan. 17.—No doubt it will surprise a good many persons who have read in the telegraphic dispatches about the new notes which Secretary Gage is planning, to learn that these notes will not get into public circulation for a year or more. In fact, as the law forbids the publication of a facsimile of a treasury note in a newspaper, it will be a year or more before the new designs will become public property except as they are described in the news columns of the papers. The reason for this lies in the fact that the new notes must season before they are put in circulation. After the designs have been drawn and approved; after the engravings have been made and transformed to the rollers and thence to the plates; after the sheets of special paper have been printed and numbered and adorned with the seal, and cut into four pieces, each an individual bill—after all this slow process, the notes must still be in the treasury vault for a year before they will be fit to circulate.

One of the most serious criticisms of the last notes of new design issued from the treasury was that the ink on them spread—that they smudged after being handled for a time. This defect was due to haste in getting out the notes. The treasury department was so proud of the new designs that it wanted to get them quickly into the hands of the people. So they were taken out before they were seasoned and before the ink on them had set. The same mistake will not be made with Secretary Gage's new notes, though the commercial world is in a great hurry to get them and to substitute them for the unsatisfactory notes now in circulation.

A measure of precaution which the government takes in the making of its currency is to have part of the printing of the notes done in the basement of the treasury. The iron-clad wagon



HE LOSES A FORTUNE EVERY DAY.

with armed guards which travels between the bureau of engraving and printing and the treasury every day brings from the bureau notes lacking the red seal which you will find in the right hand corner of every government bill you are fortunate enough to possess. These notes are in sheets of four. The work of affixing the seal and separating the notes is done in a gloomy room in the basement of the treasury building. A force of men and women is employed, working the presses which print the seal and the separating machines whose knives cut the bills apart and trim them to a uniform width.

The individual sheets of notes are brought to the treasury in packages of 100. The counting of the notes in each package occurs 52 times in the course of their handling at the bureau of engraving; and, though the packages are delivered at the treasury with seals unbroken, they are opened immediately and the sheets are counted again. This counting is done by women, who are much more expert at it than men. Their fingers fly between the sheets as though they were making scales on a piano, and Paderewski's digits move very little faster. An expert will count 1,000 sheets in about 2½ minutes. Assistant Treasurer Moline tells me 56 packages are delivered at the treasury every day now; so each counting takes up what is equivalent to two hours' work of one woman.

The sheets are counted before they go to the printing press and after they return, and they have their final count before they enter the separating machines. Then the individual notes are counted and made into bundles of 100 and these bundles are counted again for verification before they are passed on to the vaults. Each bundle has a paper stamp about it, marked with the denomination of the notes and the initials of the counter.

At this point the government is confronted by a condition which is present in every business. However perfect a system of checks may be devised for the protection of property, there is always a point where individual responsibility begins. There are many places in the treasury scheme where individual honesty is the government's only safeguard; but the most serious of them is at the door of the reserve vault. In this vault are kept hundreds of millions of dollars in United States notes, all perfect and ready to go into circulation. Access to the vault is guarded as carefully as access to any other vault in the treasury building—and, by the way, it is the system of guards, not the construction of the vaults, which protects Uncle Sam's coin, currency and bonds. It would be difficult to steal money from the vault, but in the last stage of its journey to the vault it would be comparatively easy to steal it. At the door of the vault sits John R. Brown. It is his duty to operate a press which makes of the 100 notes in each bundle a compact package. This press operates like the old style cotton compress, which makes of the ungainly mass a uniform bale. John R Brown puts the bundle of 100 notes into the machine and sets in motion the machinery which presses the bills together. He fastens around them a strap of paper, and then, releasing them from the press, he wraps them neatly in a heavy brown paper on which is printed the denomination of the notes. This wrapping he seals with wax, and then he turns the package over to the vault keeper to be stored away.

In this way there pass through the hands of John R. Brown each day 224 packages, ranging in value from $1,000 to $20,000 each and aggregating $988,000. This aggregate increases as bills of larger denominations are used, until a package of 10,000 notes is worth $1,000,000. The largest amount which has ever gone into the reserve vault in a single day is $25,000,000.

There is no count of the notes after they pass through the hands of John R. Brown. If a note was taken anywhere else, its loss would be detected within a very short time—a few minutes or at the most a few hours. Between the hands of John R. Brown and the next man who touches the individual notes there would be, in the ordinary course of business, a lapse of fully a year. Let us suppose that not John R. Brown but Bill the Burglar sits at the press in front of the reserve vault. It would not be by any means a difficult matter for Bill to conceal $1,000,000 worth of notes under his coat, substituting for them a wad of paper which he had brought to the treasury for that purpose. The press would pack the wad of paper with the remaining notes and the wrapper that went around the package would say that there were 100 notes of a certain denomination inside. After the wax seals had gone on the end of that package, Bill the Burglar would have nothing to fear for a year, unless something occurred to arouse suspicion. He could resign his place in the treasury and go to some country which has no extradition treaty with the United States at his leisure. Twelve months or more after his departure, the treasurer's office making requisition on the reserve vault for some currency, would receive Bill's package. Some day it would be broken and then—there would be a sensation. Bill the Burglar would be enjoying a life of luxury in Cathay and the bondsmen of the treasurer of the United States would be going to congress for a law to relieve them of their responsibility.

John R. Brown, in whom the government reposes its trust for the safety of nearly $1,000,000 a day, is a clerk at a salary of $1,200 a year. He has held the position since November 1, 1894. The government does not regulate salaries by the amount of an employe's responsibility but assumes that its clerks are going to be honest without being paid for it. John R. Brown's father was a trusted employe of the treasurer for ten years prior to his death in 1871, and the son has been employed by the treasury since 1872. The predecessor of John R. Brown was John T. Barnes. He began the work of packing and sealing bundles of paper currency in 1862. He died October 17, 1894, and during the long period of his faithful service he made up and sealed all the packages of United States paper currency which were printed, except when he was absent on leave or from illness.

John T. Barnes was a delegate to the convention which nominated Lincoln. He was made a treasury clerk August 10, 1861, at the request of Hon. Montgomery Blair and he drew the same salary—$1,400—continuously until the day of his death.

In that time he handled probably $6,500,000,000.

His aggregate salary during the period was a little more than $46,000.

Yet when the last of the bills packed by John T. Barnes was taken from the reserve vaults not a dollar was chargable to his account for error or dishonesty. John T. Barnes was not only faithful to his trust but proud of it. He knew that every man or woman or child who handled the government's currency had that privilege second to him. He knew that no other man in the United States handled so much money as he every day. He knew that he was trusted as few men are.

He felt the responsibility of his position so much that after many years of service he dreaded to be absent from his post even for a day, for fear something would be wrong.

For the honesty of John T. Barnes, the treasurer of the United States gave bond. For the honesty of his successor, John R. Brown, Treasurer Roberts has given a bond to the government. The bond of the treasurer is for $400,000 and his sureties are held by it perpetually. If anyone in the office of the treasurer should be dishonest and should steal the government's money, Mr. Roberts and his bondsmen would have to make good the amount unless congress was willing to relieve them of the responsibility. Probably John R. Brown and Treasurer Roberts have never met; but Mr. Roberts is Brown's guarantor to the government in the amount which he handles for the treasury—$1,000,000 a day.

GEORGE GRANTHAM BAIN.

EELS STOPPED THE MILL.

Hundreds of Them Clogged in a Water Wheel at Youngstown, Ohio.

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Many a curious prank is credited to the eel, but one of the oddest of which he has truly been guilty is just reported from Youngstown, O., where he had actually succeeded in forcing a flour mill to cease operation.

The mill is known as the Baldwin mill, and is situated on the bank of the Mahoning river. Its power is furnished by five water wheels, with an engine to be used in times of low water and when there is backwater to contend against. It is the custom of the miller, Homer Baldwin, to start up Monday morning and run steadily until Saturday night without a stop. One Monday morning not long ago, the mill started as usual with three water wheels in operation, the number ordinarily sufficient to furnish all the power required.

Presently, however, the miller found that strangely enough the power was lacking, and he put on the fourth wheel. The following morning the power had grown even less than with three wheels running, and the fifth wheel was put into operation. Still the power was insufficient and at last the engine was started up in order to obtain the necessary degree of power.

It was suspected that something must be wrong with the wheels, but owing to the high water it was impossible to make an examination before the following Sunday—when to Mr Baldwin's surprise—he found that the water-wheels were clogged up with dozens of eels, varying from three to four feet in length, weighing in the mass several hundred pounds.

After the eels had been cleared away the mill was run at full power with but three wheels in operation. This is the second time in the memory of the traditional oldest inhabitant that eels have been evidenced in the Mahoning river. Some eight years ago, it is said, Game Warden Samuel Lever placed a number of young silver eels in the river. At first it was supposed that the mill eels must be those little ones grown up, but examination disclosed the fact that the big fellows that stopped the mill wheels were not silver eels at all—and there lies the mystery.

The eel is one of the queerest of the finny tribe. For a long time nobody could guess how he happened to come into existence in the strange places where he is apt to be found. He is a most mysterious fellow, and the mystery about him is by no means cleared away, though the fish experts have studied him in many ways.

A curious fact, and one which makes the Mahoning incident harder to explain, is that eels do not spawn in fresh water, but in brakish and salt water. It is known that many eels descend the rivers in the fall and winter and enter the salt water, and it is supposed that spawning takes place at that time. In the spring and summer young eels from three to five inches long ascend rivers in incredible numbers, overcoming obstacles, ascending vertical walls or floodgates, entering the smallest tributaries, and even making their way over dry land to ponds and lakes shut off from all communication with springs. Perhaps this is how the eels came to be in the wheels of the Baldwin mill.

A PARIS WATER PALACE.

A Wonderfully Beautiful Structure for the 1900 Show.

To Paris and its visitors from all the world the name of the Chateau d'Eau has long been familiar. But the superb project of Prof. Jan Zuwiejski, architect of that grand theater at Cracow, by which it is proposed to enhance the splendors of the intended Universal exhibition of 1900, surpasses most other designs of decorative architecture contrived for the mere spectacle of a magnificent festivity. It is to be constructed of iron, and to be clothed with rushing water; indeed, the water is to form its inner walls, descending in vast sheets of unbroken liquid surface which are completely to inclose the halls and chambers of the interior, and to form a majestic dome crowing the whole edifice. The total height will be 100 meters, rivaling the loftiest buildings. This is divided horizontally into three stories, the solid framework of which exhibits different architectural orders—the Tuscan, the Renaissance, and the Ionic styles, one above the other. Visitors will have entrances quite free from danger of a wetting, and may ramble securely about the palace, take their seats in the theater as spectators of the "Varieties," or avail themselves of the restaurant, or ride on bicycles, or join the dance at a ball. By the aid of lifts and staircases they can go anywhere, protected in some places by glass screens and roofs, where needful, from even a drop of water blown aside by disturbance of the air. The surrounding waters, however, illuminated with electric light in various changing colors, will probably be the chief attraction of this wonderful palace. Further details may be expected in the course of its erection.—Illustrated London News.

Oddity in Names.

Durham Bull is the odd name of a Greenwood county (Mo.) farmer. His mother's name was Ann Durham and his father's name was Jonathan Bull.

Household Gods.

The ancient Greeks believed that the Penates were the gods who attended to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshipped as household gods in every home. The household god of to-day is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds and for all affections of the Throat, Chest and Lungs it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure, or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Free trial bottles at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's drug stores. Regular size, 50c and $1.00.

Why is a man upstairs, stealing, like a perfectly honorable man? Because he is above doing a bad action.

Bromoline will cure a cold while you sleep. No cure, no pay. 25 cents.

Why is a rheumatic person like a glass window? Because he is full of pains (panes).

Bromoline will positively cure a cold in 24 hours. No cure, no pay. 25 cents.

When does the rain become too familiar with a lady? When it begins to patter on her back.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and all throat and lung troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Why is sheet of postage stamps like distant relations? Because they are slightly connected.

What pleasure is there in life with a headache, constipation and biliousness? Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Which is the strongest day in the week? Sunday—all the rest are week days.

Glad Tidings to Asthma Sufferers.

Foley's Honey and Tar gives quick and positive relief to all cases. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Why are stars the best astronomers? Because they have studded (studied) the heavens since creation.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

What colors were the winds and the waves in the last violent storm? The winds blew and the waves rose.

Quinoria positively cures chills and fever when other remedies fail. No cure, no pay.

Which eat most grass, black sheep or white? White, because there are more of them.

Quinoria is guaranteed to cure chills, fever and all malarial disorders. No cure, no pay.

The person who disturbed the congregation last Sunday by coughing is requested to call on H. W. Bell or N. L Krone and get a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar, which always gives relief.

Why is Saturn the champion planet? Because it carries the belt.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Purcell, of Knitnersville, Pa., was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases, such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores, are readily cured by this famous remedy. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Sap Like the Tides.

A very curious theory lately revived is that the sap of a living tree ebbs and flows in some way in sympathy with the tides of the ocean. This idea comes from Italy, where a grower of vines and other fruit trees, who is also a chemist, has been experimenting in this direction. He says that no tree should be lopped or pruned except during the hours of ebb tide. He has taken 14 years to come to this conclusion, and now always acts upon it. The result is his trees and vines have developed beautiful foliage, bear splendid crops and are quite free from the attacks of the insects which devastate surrounding properties. — Chicago Chronicle.

Golf Defined.

Just before the rising of the London law courts a case involving the playing of golf was heard, and a queen's counsel engaged in it thus described for the instruction of the judge the ancient and royal game. "I believe, my lord," he said, "that the game of golf is played in irregular field or waste grounds with a small ball which the player tries to hit with a stick. If he succeeds in hitting the ball he spends the remainder of the day in looking for it. That, as I am informed, my lord, is the game of golf."—London Telegraph.

No Chance for the Rest.

Hezekiah—They say that Skinner Clutch hez got religion.

Obadiah—Might ez well stop th' revival, then, fer ef he hez it ther' won't no one else git it.—Truth.

No Room for Doubt.

Proof, yes overwhelming proof can be furnished of the excellent curative qualities of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. "I caught a cold which led to a cough and pain in the chest. (pneumonia?) I bought Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup, and after taking one bottle of it, the cough began to disappear; when I finished taking the second bottle I was cured. Gustav Thurmaster, 49 Hickory St., Cleveland, O." Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup costs but 25 cents. Take only Bull's.

A Northern Love Light.

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but he must take his chances and land where he could. The dory's quarter lightly touched the edge of the pack and instantly swung back, as, stepping upon a thwart, he made his leap for life. As he sprang he saw Laida pick up the oar. He landed well upon the pack, flung himself upon his face and scrambled forward. He felt the ice give way beneath his feet as he struck the floe. The solid ice beneath his body, smooth and slippery, gave no hold for his hands, and he was slipping back helpless into the sea. He heard the hollow splash of the broken ice as it fell amid the hidden moaning waters, and there came to his ear the rattle of some fragments striking the boat drifted beneath the overarching edge.

Then the voice of Laida:

"Here, catch this oar. What are you thinking of! Quick!"

The handle of the oar was before his face. At the other end Laida was holding the oar with both hands just above the blade. He clutched the handle.

"Now hold hard! Come on all, and keep a-going!"

In a twinkling he was out on the ice and was dragged ten yards away from the edge before he recovered the presence of mind to let go the oar. He picked himself up. Laida dropped the oar and laughed, a little hysterically.

Upshur was in no laughing mood. He had been pulled back from what seemed certain death, and his rescuer was the girl whom he loved and who had refused him. He valued his life greatly just then as being of service to her in their dire emergency. Fresh from the shadow of death he had no words to utter. So she spoke lightly, perhaps to conceal some emotion of her own:

"You see, sir, what it is to go to sea with a captain's daughter. Lucky for you that I learned to pull and haul, and to keep my wits about me when things must be done in a hurry. It was great fun to see you coming on, head first, over the ice."

"You saved my life," he said simply.

"Oh, I didn't do much—only passed you an oar. We're shipmates in trouble and have got to stand by each other. It's give and take. If you hadn't proved yourself a trump, where would we both have been, hours ago? I couldn't say much, whatever happened, because I got you into the scrape, but it's a pity you must suffer for my wilfulness."

"One thing you may believe, and believe fully," he said, speaking slowly. "I wouldn't for the universe be anywhere else than here—with you."

Her eyes met his for an instant; she turned and gazed upon the waters surging up blackly from beneath the fog. There was nothing calling for action or words just then, and, for a time, both were silent. After the unceasing toil and watchfulness of their perilous tossings upon the waste of waters, they now had the leisure and freedom from immediate anxiety to take account of the events and transformations of the past six hours. In the face of immediate danger Laida, the imperious, at Upshur's matter-of-course assumption of full command had abnegated her long domination and had trusted implicitly to the skill and judgment of the man she had tyrannized over, and laughed at as a landsman, to extricate them from their perils. Not once had he failed her, but, as each new emergency arose, had met the situation with a readiness and courage that inspired her confidence no less than her surprise. Now that they were stranded as it were upon the ice floe, and the question of their safety seemed one of passive endurance on their part and of timely rescue by friends, she furtively watched Upshur to read the extent of their peril by the expression of his face. Then she would shape her behavior accordingly. Should she see disheartenment, however well concealed, she would keep up a brave show of hope and cheerfulness whatever might be her secret fears. If indomitable strength and confidence were there she would rest on these, and meet in the same spirit all hardships and dangers that might arise.

She saw no weakness or despondency in his face. Its seriousness had passed, and an expression, elate and joyous, had succeeded, as of triumphs over dangers and obstacles surmounted, with no misgivings as to anything that thereafter might befall them. He met her eyes frankly and laughed. Borne on an Arctic sea, past a desolate rock-bound coast, with ice and water beneath their feet, and the thick fog around them; without fire, provisions, water or shelter; their position unknown to their friends—he laughed as if their adventure were the best of jokes. With no word spoken she in that moment recognized in him, with thankfulness and admiration, an undismayed spirit that inspired her with hope and courage, where a different disposition might as readily have imparted the boding evils of doubt and fear. Now she would meet all vicissitudes of their wanderings over strange waters with a heart as great as that of the man into whose character she had just gained her first real insight.

Laida had been nearer crying than she often suffered herself to come, and there was a suspicion of tears still in her eyes and voice as she quite naturally and involuntarily laughed with him. It was such a relief to feel that things were not so bad after all and that nobody was frightened or was going to be, Greenland seas and fogs and storm-winds notwithstanding.

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ACUTE LARNYGITIS.

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J. C. HOSTETLER.

To Bertha Showers and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1896, I, J. C. Hostetler, purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county: Lot twenty-one, in block six of Starr & Mills 1st addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1895, including interest, penalties and costs due thereon and at the time the said real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed in the name of Bertha Showers, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 24th day of June, 1898.
J. C. HOSTETLER.

To John Rostic and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1896, I, J. C. Hostetler, purchased the following described real estate situate in said Macon county: 11 feet off the east side of lot nineteen in block seven of Carver's addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1895, including interest, penalties and costs due thereon, and at the time the said real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed in the name of John Rostic, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 25th day of June, 1898.
J. C. HOSTETLER.

To H & F A. Dickinson and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 24th day of June A. D. 1896, I, J. C. Hostetler, purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county: Lot Three of H. & F. A. Davidson's 2d subdivision in the Town of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1895, including interest, penalties and costs due thereon, and at the time the said real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed in the name of H. & F. A. Dickinson, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 24th day of June, 1898.
J. C. HOSTETLER.

To H. A. Graham and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector, of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 25th day of June, A. D. 1896, B. McBride purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county: Lot one, in block one, of H. A. Wood's 2d Addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1895, including interest, penalties and costs due thereon, and assigned the certificate of purchase to me, and at the time the said real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed in the name of H. A. Graham, and that the time of the redemption thereof will expire on the 25th day of June, 1898.
J. C. HOSTETLER,
Assignee of S. Mcbride.

To Henry Bauer and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 26th day of June, A. D. 1896, B. O. McReynolds purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county: Forty feet off the east side of lot 6 in block 9 of Allen, McReynolds & Co.'s addition to the city of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1895, including interest, penalties and costs due thereon, and assigned the certificate of purchase thereof to me, and at the time the said real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed in the name of Henry Bauer, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 25th day of June, 1898.
J. C. HOSTETLER.
Assignee of B. O. McReynolds.

To J. M. Clokey and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described: You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1896, I, J. C. Hostetler, purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county: Lot seven in block one of Syndicate Addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1895, including interest, penalties and costs due thereon, and at the time the said real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed in the name of J. M. Clokey, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 24th day of June, 1898.
J. C. HOSTETLER.
Feb. 8, 1898—Tues.

Executor's Notice.

Estate of Samuel Heft, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Samuel Heft, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1898.
WM. W. HEFT, Executor.
Feb 8-d3w

CONSERVATOR'S SALE

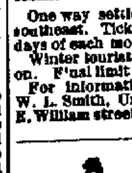
I will for the next ten days, from Feb. 5 to Feb. 15 inclusive, have for sale all the personal property of John A. Shafer, which includes a cow, store, and household furnishings, 150 shocks of corn on farm. Personal property can be seen at 1290 West Macon street. I have also a 40 acre farm 1½ miles northwest of Boody to rent.
N. M. JACOBS, Conservator.
5-d15t-w1t

ILLINOIS CENTRAL EXCURSIONS.

One way settlers' rates to points south and southeast. Tickets on sale the 1st and 3d Tuesdays of each month.

Winter tourist rates to points south are now on. Final limit of June 1st, 1898.

For information or tickets write or call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Penlwell, 121 E. William street, Decatur, Ill.



BRASS BAND

Instruments, Drums, Uniforms, Equipments for Bands and Drum Corps. Lowest prices ever quoted. Fine Catalog, 400 Illustrations, mailed free; it gives Band Music & Instruct'ns for Amateur Bands.
LYON & HEALY, 90 Adams St., Chicago, Ill.

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor.
jan 24-d&wtf

People's Column.

Advertisements of Forty words or less may be inserted in this column at the rate of 25 cents per week, payable invariably in advance

For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

WANTED.

WANTED—You to give us your orders for carpets to clean and feathers to renovate. Work called for and delivered free. Satisfaction guaranteed. Place of business, 630 Wabash ave, telephone 667. HAYES & ANTHONY. oct 13-dtf.

WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19-dtf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—One of Hall's best fire and burglar proof safes, 30 by 42 inches high. Also two modern 8-foot show-cases with tables. Cases 19 inches deep, drop doors, with locks. Will be sold at a bargain. For particulars call at 1105 N. Church street. city. Jan 31-dtf

FOR SALE.—A No. 1, superfine Kimball organ for sale very cheap. Call at 965 East Cantrell street. C. B. ADKESSON. 20-dtf

FOR SALE—Four room house, pantry and closets. East Lake finish; newly papered; will sell at a sacrifice. Call at No. 1760 North Clinton street; new 'phone 185.—27-tf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—A house of five rooms, with good well, summer kitchen and stable, on a plat of eight acres at Boody, Ill. Terms very low. Inquire of Frederick Nientker Boody, Ill. Feb 1-d6*

FOR RENT.—My factory building on East Eldorado st.; 2 story, 24x80 feet. Windows every 4 feet. Street cars. Paved street and sewerage. Will fit up to suit business. Best chance in Decatur for new factory. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 142 S. Main st. 5-d1mo

MONEY TO LOAN.

LOANS...

Rooms Nos. 1 and 2, 137 North Water street.

LOW RATES.

May 20-dtf GEO. W. EHRHART.

SAMUEL M'BRIDE
LOANS AND SECURITIES,
ROOMS 702-3-4,
MILLIKIN BANK B'L'DG,
DECATUR, ILLINOIS.

LOANS Of All Kinds Made by **PEGRAM & CO.,**
Room One, over Citizen's Nat. Bank.

ALBERT T. SUMMERS,
—LOAN BROKER,—
All Classes of Loans Negotiated.
145 North Water Street, DECATUR, ILL.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST OR STOLEN—Large pocket-book containing one thousand mile ticket Union Pacific Railroad; one thousand mile ticket Wabash Railroad; also stock certificates of the LaMesa Lemon Co., also two notes signed in blank by A. S. Crowder. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at the office of the Shellabarger Mill and Elevator Co. Feb 1-d6

MISCELLANEOUS.

A FINE STOCK of Potted Blooming Plants of all kinds, also Cut Flowers, Roses Carnations, Hyacinths, Easter Lilies, Callas, Violets, etc., can be had on short notice. Telephone, old, No. 203. N. BOMMERSBACH. dec 7-dtf

CURRY & POOLE; MILK DEPOT, Milk, Cream, Butter and Dressed Poultry, Wholesale and Retail, 451 North Water street, Decatur, Ill. Jan 24 dtf

W. M. HARPSTRITE'S Transfer and Storage Warehouse. Largest and most convenient warehouse in the city for the storage of all kinds of goods. Office and warehouse 730 and 734 East Cerro Gordo street. Old Tel. 354. Jan. 24-d2w

W. M. HARPSTRITE'S Transfer and Storage Warehouse, Manufacturers' Agent for the storage and distribution of manufactured articles of all kinds.
Transfering of agricultural implements a specialty.
Office and Warehouse 730 and 734 East Cerro Gordo street. Old Telephone 354.
Jan 24-d2w

PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS. CAVEATS, on quickest and easiest terms. Am associate counsel for Louis Bagger & Co., 30 years' experience as Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C. All legal business promptly and carefully attended to. Loans. A. E. PARK, 152 E. Prairie street. NEW PHONE 572. Sept 7-dtf

IF you need a set of De Vinne Price Markers or Rubber Cushion stamp, plain or ornamental, supplies or anything in the Commercial Stamp line, order of J. M. Myers, proprietor of the Decatur Rubber Stamp Works, 301 S. Church street, Citizens' Phone, 117, Decatur, Ill. mar t-dtf

R. O. ROSEN, Architect and Builder. Office Rooms 1 and 2, third floor, Review Building, North Main street.

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, (from two inches to three feet. 723 N. Water or 1712 E. Prairie street. nov29-dtf

$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x80. What's the matter with this! nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 216 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe, either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H. BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle insured and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan8-dtf

FREE TEA SET—Ladies, send us your full address plainly written, and we will express you 75 of our exquisite ARABIAN PERFUMO PACKETS to sell among friends, at 10 cents each; when sold, remit us the money (less express charges) and we will send you a beautiful decorated China tea set of 56 pieces for your trouble, full size for family use. Name nearest express office and address, Arabian Perfumo Co., Box 12, Bridgewater, Conn. 7-d8w

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the City Electric Railway Company of Decatur, Ill., will be held TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1898, at the office of said company in Decatur, for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.
Decatur, Ill., February 1, 1898.
CITY ELECTRIC RY. CO.
W. L. SHELLABARGER, Sec.
Feb 1-dtd

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Henry F. May, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Henry F. May, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Dated this 17th day of January, 1898.
ANDREW H. MILLS, Administrator.
jan 17-d3w

Legal Advs.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss. In the Circuit Court.

W. B. Tyler, Complainant, vs. Samuel W. Stookey et. al., Defendants. In Chancery—No. 16,029.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October Term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, Master in Chancery of said court, will on

Wednesday, the 9th day of February, A. D. 1898,

at the hour of 2 o clock p. m., at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder, for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The same being the interest of Samuel W. Stookey at the time of the execution of said mortgages mentioned in the original bill and cross bill for which the said Samuel W. Stockey may hereafter have in the property described as follows to-wit:

The northeast quarter of section 32, township 17 north, range one east of the third principal meridian, containing one hundred and sixty acres, situate in the county of Macon, state of Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 15th day of January, A. D. 1898.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
W. B. Tyler, Complainant's Solicitor.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, Macon County, } ss.

In the Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery.

William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North and South Building and Loan Association, vs. Albert Karlofski, alias Albert Karlowski, Lottie Karlofski alias Lottie Karlowski, North & South Building and Loan Association, Webster H. Rapp and F. W. Kipp—No. 16,030,

Consolidated with

Jeanett C. Blume vs. Albert Karlofski and Annie Karlofski—No. 16304.

To Albert Karlofski, alias Albert Karlowski, Lottie Karlofski, alias Lottie Karlowski, F. W. Kipp and Annie Karlofski, Decatur, Illinois; North & South Building and Loan Association and Jeanett C. Blume Chicago, Illinois, Webster H. Rapp, care R. S. Peal & Co., 91 Fifth Avenue, New York City:

Please take notice, you and each of you, that on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day, we shall, before George Bass, a master in chancery of the circuit court of Cook county, Illinois, and a Notary Public in and for said county and state, at his office, No. 109 Hartford Building, 140 Dearborn street, in the City of Chicago, in said county and state, take, in the above entitled cause, the deposition of William C. H. Keough, a resident of the City of Chicago in said county and state, upon interrogatories to be propounded to said witness orally, without a commission or the filing of interrogatories for this purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Section 24 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes of Illinois such deposition to be read in evidence on the part of the said complainant on the hearing of the above entitled cause. The examination of said witness upon said oral interrogatories, to be propounded as aforesaid, will be begun on the day and hour before mentioned and will be continued from day to day until completed, at which time and place you may appear as you or either of you may see fit.
COLLINS & FLETCHER,
Solicitors for William C. H. Keough,
Jan. 17-dtd Complainant.

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss In the Circuit Court of Macon Co.

William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North & South Building and Loan Association, vs. Webster H. Rapp, Elizabeth M. Rapp, Jeanette C. Blume, George P. Blume, George P. Blume and Webster H. Rapp, partners as Blume & Rapp, Lucinda Lugte, the unknown husband, if any, of Lucinda Lugte, the North & South Building & Loan Association —No. 15,980.

To Webster H. Rapp, individually and as a member of the partnership of Blume & Rapp, and Elizabeth M. Rapp, care R. S. Peal & Co., 91 Fifth Avenue, N. Y. City, George P. Blume, individually and as a member of the partnership of Blume & Rapp, Chicago, Illinois, and Jeanette C. Blume, Chicago, the unknown husband of Lucinda Lugte, North & South Building and Loan Association, Chicago, Illinois, Lucinda Lugte, Clinton, DeWitt county, Illinois.

Please take notice, you and each of you, that on the 8th day of February, A.D.1898 at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, we shall, before George Bass, a master in chancery of the circuit court of Cook county, Illinois, and a notary public in and for the said county and state, at his office, No. 109 Hartford Building, 140 Dearborn street, in the city of Chicago, County of Cook and state of Illinois, take in the above entitled cause, the deposition of William C. H. Keough, a resident of the city of Chicago, county of Cook, and state of Illinois, upon interrogatories to be propounded to said witness orally, without a commission or the filing of interrogatories for this purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Section 24 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Illinois, such deposition to be read in evidence on the part of the said complainant on the hearing of the above entitled cause.

The examination of said witness upon said oral interrogatories, to be propounded as aforesaid, will be begun on the day and hour before mentioned, and will be continued from day to day until completed, at which time and place you may appear as you or either of you may see fit.
COLLINS & FLETCHER,
Solicitors for William C. H. Keough, Receiver, complainant.
jan 18-dtd

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss

In the Circuit Court of Macon County, Ill.—

William C. H. Keough, receiver of the North & South Building & Loan Association,
vs.
Bridget M. Clark, Patrick Clark, Commercial Loan & Trust Company, a Corporation, Trustee, Horace M. Gillis, Charles M. Allison, — No. 15840.

Consolidated with

Charles M. Allison,
vs.
Bridget M. Clark, Patrick Clark, North & South Building & Loan Association, William C. H. Keough, Receiver of the North & South Building & Loan Association, to — No. 15850.

Bridget M. Clark, Patrick Clark and Horace M. Gillis, Decatur, Illinois.
North & South Building & Loan Association, a corporation, Chicago, Illinois.
Commercial Loan & Trust Company, trustee, Chicago, Illinois.
Charles M. Allison, Decatur, Illinois.

Please take notice, you and each of you, that on the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. of said day, we shall, before George Bass, a Master in Chancery of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois and a Notary Public in and for the said County and State at his office, No. 109 Hartford Building, 140 Dearborn street in the City of Chicago, County Cook and State of Illinois, taken in the above entitled cause, the deposition of William C. H. Keough, a resident of the City of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois, upon interrogatories to be propounded to said witness orally without a commission or the filing of interrogatories for this purpose, in accordance with the provisions of Section 24 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Illinois, such deposition to be read in evidence on the part of said complainant on the hearing of the above entitled cause.

The examination of said witness upon said oral interrogatories, to be propounded as afore said, will be begun on the day and hour before mentioned, and will be continued from day to day until completed, at which time and place you may appear as you or either of you may see fit.
COLLINS & FLETCHER,
Solicitors for Wm. C. H Keough,
j20-4w Receiver, Complainant.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of Susan H. Abel, Debtor.

The undersigned hereby gives notice that Susan H. Abel, doing business under the name of Abel Carpet Wall-Paper Co., of the City of Decatur, in the county of Macon and State of Illinois, did, on the 12th day of January, 1898, transfer to the undersigned as assignee all her property, real and personal, for the benefit of her creditors, according to the provisions of the act concerning assignments.

All persons having claims against the said Susan H. Abel are hereby notified to present such claims under oath or affirmation to me at the City of Decatur, in said county, within three months from this date.

Dated this 21st day of January, A. D. 1898.
Jan. 21-d6w J. W. HACE, Assignee.

Railroad Column

R. R. TIME TABLES.

[Corrected to Nov. 15, 1897.]

Wabash Line

TO CHICAGO.	FROM CHICAGO.
12 .... * 1:05 a m	13 .... * 3:55 a m
14 .... *11:45 a m	15 .... * 3:55 p m
16 .... † 9:20 a m	17 .... † 7:35 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.	FROM ST. LOUIS.
3 .... * 4:05 a m	6 .... * 5:25 a m
11 .... * 7:00 a m	21 .... †11:25 a m
25 .... † 4:05 p m	14 .... *11:42 a m
15 .... * 4:00 p m	10 .... * 8:58 p m
1 .... *12:13 a m	2 .... *11:17 p m
7 .... * 7:20 p m	12 .... *12:55 a m
TO TOLEDO.	FROM TOLEDO.
6 .... * 5:28 a m	1 .... *12:10 a m
4 .... *11:30 a m	7 .... * 7:17 p m
2 .... *11:20 p m	5 .... * 8:50 p m
10 FtW.ac., †1:30 p m	3 .... * 3:20 a m
34 Eff. Acc †4:40 p m	11 From Ft W †12:50 p m
	35 Eff. Accom †10:45 a m
TO QUINCY.	FROM QUINCY.
5 .... * 4:07 p m	4 .... *11:25 a m
13 .... * 4:10 a m	12 .... *10:50 p m
17 Spfd only† 7:40 p m	16 from Spfg.† 9:15 a m
35 .... †10:55 a m	34 Effg. acm † 4:35 p m
11 Bluff acm† 7:05 a m	10 frm Bluffs † 6.50 p m

*Daily. †Daily except Sunday.

Peoria, Decatur and Evansville.

Arrive from Peoria	Arrive from Evansville
A No. 1 ......10:35 a. m.	A No. 2 ....2:50 p. m
D No. 3 ......10.10 p. m.	A No. 4 ....6.25 a. m
A No. 11 ......2:30 p. m.	S No. 36 ....7:10 a. m
Depart for Peoria	Depart for Evansville
A No. 2 ....3 00p. m.	A No. 1 ....10:45 a. m
A No. 4 ....6 35 a. m.	D No. 3 ....10.20 p. m.
S No. 36 ......7:20 a. m.	A No 11, ...3:15 p. m.
A No. 10 .....10: 35a. m.	"D"—Daily, "S" Sunday Only.
"A"—Daily Except Sunday.	

Vandalia Line.
In effect Dec. 11, 1897.

DEPARTS EAST.
No. 84—Freight, ex. Sunday .... 6:35 a m
No 12—Except Sunday .... 7:40 a m
No. 6—Except Sunday .... 3:35 p

FROM TERRE HAUTE.
No. 7—Except Sunday .... 10:45 a n
No. 83—Freight, ex. Sunday .... 5 00 p m
No. 21—Except Sunday .... 7.05 p m

DEPARTS WEST.
No. 5—Ex. Sunday .... 7:00 a m
No. 85—Freight ex. Sunday .... 7 50 a m
No. 7—Ex. Sunday .... 10.55 a m

FROM PEORIA.
No. 6—Ex. Sunday .... 3:20 p m
No. 86—Freight ex. Sunday .... 4.10 p m
No. 4—Ex. Sunday .... 9:30 p m

For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address J. C. Millspaugh, T. P. A., Decatur, Ill., or E. A. Ford, Gen'l Pass Agt., St. Louis, Mo.

Indiana, Decatur & Western Ry Co

ARRIVE.	LEAVE.
No. 1 Pass ....*2:25 p m	No. 4 Pass ...*10:55 p m
No. 3 Pass ....*4:00 a m	No. 2 Pass ...†11:30 a m
" 7 ....10:00 a m	" 8 ....2 40 a m
" 9 ....*8:00 p m	" 10 ....4:00 p m

*Daily. †Except Sunday.

Illinois Central.

Corrected to November 28th, 1897.
No. 118 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman .... * 1.32 a. m.
No. 120 to Chicago via Clinton & Gilman .... * 11 52 a. m.
No. 704 to Chicago via Champaign ..* 6 10 a. m.
No. 104 Main Line North .... * 11.26 a. m.
No. 126 Main Line North, ... † 6:10 p. m.
No. 702 Champaign Line Mixed leaves .... † 2 45 p. m.
No. 117 Diamond Special to St. Louis via Pana .... * 3:19 a. m
No. 119 Daylight Special to St. Louis via Pana .... * 8:37 p. m.
No. 125 Main Line South to Pana ..† 9:30 a. m.
No. 103 Main Line South to Cairo ..* 4.03 p. m.
No. 191 Local Freight South ....† 7:45 a. m.
No. 703 from Chicago via Champaign, arrives .... * 9:55 p. m.
No. 701 from Champaign Mixed Train arrives .... † 10.30 a. m.
*—Daily. †—Daily Except Sunday.

WABASH EXCURSIONS.

The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

Sunday low rate tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Bement on Chicago Division Sundays at very low rates—good going and and returning Sunday only.

St. Louis and return. Tickets sold every Saturday afternoon and Sunday. One fare round trip.

Homeseekers' Excursions to principal points in the South, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month; good returning every Tuesday or Friday for 21 days. One fare, plus $2.00, for the round trip.

One way Settlers' tickets to the South sold on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

California tourists tickets, good returning nine months, with liberal stop over privileges in each direction, on sale daily.

Winter tourists tickets to the principal resorts in the south now on sale.

Call at the City Ticket Office for literature of the routes, rates, etc., of the Klondike Gold Fields.

Tour of Old Mexico and return. Leaving Decatur Thursday, Feb. 17th. Personally conducted. $240.00 includes all expenses. For itinerary call at city ticket office.

Cleveland, Ohio, acct. Students Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions, $12 45 round trip. Sell Feb. 22nd and 23rd; good returning till Feb 28th.

Champaign acct. Illinois Farmers Institute, $1.85 round trip. Tickets sold Feb. 22nd and 23rd, good returning till Feb. 25th.

New Orleans and Mobile account Mardi Gras. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 15th to 25th. Good returning for 15 days.

Chattanooga account National Educational Association Department of Superintendence. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 20 and 21. Good returning till Feb. 28th.

Topeka, Kan., account National Buttermakers Association. One fare round trip. Sell Feb. 19th to 24th inclusive. Good returning till Feb. 28th.

For full information regarding dates of sale limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Pollock, passenger and ticket agent Wabash railroad, Decatur, Ills.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY, } ss In the Circuit Court.

Frances G. Winslow, executrix, etc., Complainant, vs. Frank L. Hays, et. al., defendants.—In Chancery No. 16528.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause, at the January term of said court, A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 1st day of March, A. D., 1898,

at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The east half of lot Nine (9) and Thirty (30) feet in width off of the west side of lot Eight (8), all in block One (1) of Berry H. Cassell's Fifth addition to the city of Decatur, situated in Macon county, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 7th day of February, A. D., 1898.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
Mills Bros., Complainant's Solicitors.

Through Buffet Sleeping Car to Mackinaw, Mich.

Commencing June 21st, the Vandalia Line will resume through Pullman Buffet Sleeping Car Service between St. Louis and Mackinaw. Sleepers will run via Terre Haute, St. Joseph Grand Rapids and Petoskey-Bay View. This will be the only line of through cars from St Louis to the delightful and cool resorts of Michigan. South-bound the last sleeping car for the season will leave Mackinaw Sunday night, September 26, 1897. For detailed information address nearest Vandalia Line Agent, or E. A. Ford, General Passenger Agent, St. Louis.

RHEUMATISM CURE — Decatur, Ill., Nov. 29th. Wanted, everybody to read this article. For four or five years I took medicine for my kidneys and could get no relief. After trying several other kinds of medicines for rheumatism I tried your Gerrodanie Capsules and they not only cured my rheumatism but my back as well. I can and do heartily recommend them to any one with rheumatism and neuralgia. Yours truly, TOM PENIWELL, ticket agent I. C. R. R.

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, COUNTY OF MACON. } ss. In the Circuit Court.

H. Mueller, Complainant, vs. Clara E. Wood, et. al., Defendant.—In Chancery No. 16441.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, in the state of Illinois, entered in the above entitled cause at the October term of said court A. D. 1897, I, James J. Finn, master in chancery of said court, will on

Tuesday, the 1st day of March, A. D. 1898,

at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day, at the north door of the court house on East Wood street, in the City of Decatur, in said county, offer for sale at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows, to-wit:

The south half of lot Twelve (12) in the resurvey of lots Two (2,) Three (3) and Four (4) of block Three (3) of Prather & Adamson's addition of outlots to the City of Decatur, situated in Macon County, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 7th day of February, A. D. 1898.
JAMES J. FINN, Master in Chancery.
C. E. Schroll, Complainant's Solicitor.
Feb 7-d td

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Charles L. Griswold, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles L. Griswold, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Dated this 29th day of January, 1898.
CHARLES L. GRISWOLD, JR.,
29 d3w Administrator.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

Estate of John W. Young, Debtor

The undersigned hereby gives notice that John W. Young, of the city of Decatur, county of Macon and state of Illinois, did, on the 4th day of January, A. D. 1898, transfer to one John A. Dawson, as assignee, all his personal property (the said John W. Young not being possessed of any real estate) for the benefit of his creditors except such as is allowed him under the exemption laws or the State of Illinois, according to the provisions of an act concerning voluntary assignments; that the said John A. Dawson, on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1898, resigned as such assignee, and the undersigned was, by order of the county court of Macon county, in the State of Illinois, appointed assignee in the place of John A. Dawson, on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1898.

All persons having claims against the said John W. Young are hereby notified to present such claims, under oath or affirmation, to the undersigned at the City of Decatur, in said county, within three months from the date hereof.
Dated this 11th day of January, A. D. 1898.
GEORGE K. MORGAN, Assignee.
Jan 11-d6w

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of R. J. Young, Sr., Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of R. J. Young, Sr., late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the March term, on the first Monday in March next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Dated this 7th day of January, 1898.
R. J. YOUNG, Administrator.
Jan 12-d4w

I., D. & W. Railway Excursions.

Excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following points:

Home seekers excursions to principal points in the south, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Good returning every Tuesday or Friday for twenty-one days. One fare plus $2 for round trip.

One way settlers' tickets sold to the South on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at greatly reduced rates.

Winter tourist tickets to the principal resorts in the south now on sale.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rate, maps and descriptive advertising matter write or apply to K. Harwood, General Agent, or C. A. Pollock, Ticket Agent I., D. & W. Railroad, Decatur, Ill.

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LOCAL NEWS.

We Don't Want

You to fail to look at our line of Dinner Sets in this great reduction sale. They go from $5.98 to $40. They include all the English decorated sets as well as the Haviland China.

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Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Smoke the Queen, manufactured by Heddick & Kuesink.—15-dtf

Smoke the Little J 5 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

Call on Webb C. Foster, 1075 North Water for meat, vegatbles and fruits.

Cures croup, sore throat, pulmony troubles—Monarch over pain of every sort, Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil. Sold by all druggists.

The National Bank of Commerce of St Louis has placed a fine steel engraving of the St. Louis station in the Citizens' National bank of this city. The engraving is neatly framed and is a handsome addition to the furnishings of the bank. F. S. Johnson is connected with the bank at St. Louis.

No one would ever be bothered with constipation if everyone knew how naturally and quickly Burdock Blood Bitters regulates the stomach and bowels. Sold by all druggists.

A petition is being circulated among the property owners of North Monroe and Packard steets to have the ordinance, which calls for the two course brick in the paving of the streets, changed and a concrete foundation substituted for the first course. The property owners are almost unanimous in their choice of the concrete and the petition is being signed by all. It will be presented at the next meeting of the city council.

Lonhuda.

We have placed this beautiful line of goods on sale at 50 cents on the dollar during our great reduction sale. It must be seen to be appreciated.

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They are surprises in beauty. Call at L. Chodat's News House.

A Matter of Interest to Everybody.

That you can get any and every day of the week a goose, turkey, broiler, spring, pullet, hen or anything in the game line at Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Tel old and new No. 344.—8-dāt

Taken Ill.

Roy Stickle, a clerk at Stewart's dry goods house was taken very ill this morning shortly after reaching the store. A bed was arranged on the counter and he was made as comfortable as possible until a physician was brought. Dr. Will Chenoweth attended him and he was able after treatment to be taken home in a carriage.

The Lake Funeral.

The funeral of the late Attorney James C. Lake will be held from the family residence on North Water street, on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Circuit court will take a recess and members of the bar and of the city council will attend the services in a body.

Bob Burdette

In his lecture at the tabernacle last night Bob Burdette took the time to remind the immense audience of his personal regard for Mr. Marshall P. Wilder who appears at the opera house tonight. He spoke in the highest terms of Mr. Wilder as a humorist and told his audience that if they wanted to forget what they had suffered listening to him to go to the opera house and hear Marshall P. Wilder. An immense audience will greet Wilder this evening and in order to accommodate everybody the gallery will be thrown open and 10 cents will admit to that part of the house.

Ex-President Cleveland

Speaking of Marshall P. Wilder says "He is the prince of entertainers." Ex-President Harrison, "He has wonderful talent." Hon. Chauncey M. Depew: "His mirth is contagious."

Mr. Wilder with his assisting star artists will appear at the opera house tonight and you can hear him for only 10 cents if you join the big crowd in the gallery.

GIVE THE CHILDREN A DRINK

called Grain-O. It is a delicious, appetizing, nourishing food drink to take the place of coffee. Sold by all grocers and liked by all who have used it because when properly prepared it tastes like the finest coffee but is free from all its injurious properties. Grain-O aids digestion and strengthens the nerves. It is not a stimulant but a health builder, and children, as well as adults, can drink it with great benefit. Costs about ¼ as much as coffee. Price 15 and 25c.

PLEAD NOT GUILTY

Joe Mauzy Arraigned in the Circuit Court.

H. CREA AND C. C. LEFORGEE

Appointed to Assist State's Attorney Mills in Prosecuting—Trial Set for Monday, March 14.

The trial of Joe Mauzy for the alleged murder of Mat McKinley will begin in the circuit court on Monday, March 14. The time was agreed upon by Judge Vail and the attorneys in the case this morning. Attorneys H. Crea and C. C. Leforgee will assist State's Attorney I. R. Mills in the prosecution.

Mauzy was brought into court this morning at 9 o'clock by Deputy Sam Stabler. The prisoner occupied the deputy's chair at the left of the judge's seat. He sat quietly, looked at the people in the court room and occasionally spoke to the deputy and smiled. After some other business had been disposed of Attorney W. C. Johns, who with I. A. Buckingham, is to defend Mauzy, announced that the prisoner was arraigned and pleaded not guilty. Judge Vail then said that after finishing the common law docket he would take up the people's docket and call the cases, among which would be Mauzy's case, as they came on the docket. Mr. Buckingham suggested that a time be set for the trial as it would be much more convenient to have the witnesses in the city if the exact time of the trial was known. The judge said that the common law docket would be completed on March 11, and suggested that March 14 be the time for calling the case. State's Attorney Mills, who was in the jury room, was called. He said that there were some other parties he would like to consult. He returned to the jury room and in a few minutes came back to the court room and all of the attorneys interested and the judge retired. They remained closeted for nearly half an hour before returning to the court room. The judge took his seat and Attorney Mills addressed the court. He said that owing to the peculiar circumstances connected with the case he would ask the court to appoint some eminent attorneys to assist him in the prosecution. He would leave the selection to the discretion of the court, only suggesting that the attorneys be eminent ones and men in whom the public would have confidence.

Judge Vail said: "I have, of course, been consulted in this matter and I believe Mr. Mills to be right in making his request. As he has prosecuted one man in this same case and as that man was convicted and is now in the penitentiary, it would be embarrassing to say the least for Mr. Mills to prosecute another man for the same crime." The judge said that he would select men to assist Mr. Mills whose characters were beyond question and he announced as his selections Attorney Hugh Crea and Attorney C. C. Leforgee. He said that he thought this action would relieve Mr. Mills from any embarrassment and from public prosecution.

It was then announced that the trial would begin on Monday, March 14, unless some very good reason should develope which would justify continuance. The judge said that he had given the attorneys time enough to convict or acquit half a dozen men and he wanted them to be ready on the date named. This finished the matter and Mauzy left the court room and was taken back to the jail. There were a large number of lawyers and spectators in the court room to see Mauzy and hear what action was taken in the case.

Letter List.

Following is the list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Decatur, Ill, postoffice for the week ending January 25, 1898. When called for please say advertised:

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Ashorn, Roy M.	Bryan, L.
Creswell, Arthur	Cozan, Thos.
Eakins, H. G.	Floyd, Will
Fourman, C. F.	Gibbie, G. L.
Geeting, Chas.	Glue, E. A.
Hartnell, J.	Hogan, C. A.
Knight, W. S.	Lamont, S. W.
Long, J. R.	Lusk, Charley
Lee, S. E.	McAllister, Jas.
Lynch, Jess	Otte, A. E.
McDonald, Joe	Patton, J. W.
Palmeter, Chas.	Riggis, F.
Pierce, John J.	Shelley, John
Seminerio, Francisco	Stahl, George
Spain. Mr.	Sullivan, Wm.
Strusefort, F. C.	Wilson, J. H. (3)
Thompson, I. D.	

LADIES' LIST.

Bryan, Wilda	Collins, Rachel
Huff, Myrtle	Johnson, Minnie
Littler, Minnie	Murphy, Bertie
Rankins, Jane	Streator, Elizabeth
Warner, Kittie	Webb, Mrs. S. F.

FOREIGN.

Masson, Peter	Woodyard, I.

FIRMS.

Scott Bros.	Decatur Pug Mill Co.

W. F. CALHOUN, P. M.

PERSONAL.

—C. E. Akers is in Chicago.

—Born, to Attorney and Mrs. W. E. Redmon, Sunday, a daughter.

—Mrs. D. O. Daniels of Blue Mound is the guest of friends in the city.

—Attorney J. M. Gray is at Maroa today on professional business.

—John Anderson, a business man of Maroa, was in the city yesterday.

—Attorney W. C. Johns went to Monticello today on business.

—A Kaufman went to Champaign this morning on business.

—Owen Seiberling of West Plains, Mo., is in the city visiting friends.

—Superintendent McKeen of the Vandalia was in the city today on business.

—Dr. J. N. Randall was in Harristown today on professional business.

There will be a rehearsal of the "Chimes" tonight at Mrs. Bunn's studio.

—Miss Louise Ewing and Lyle Funk of Bloomington will attend the Assembly ball this evening.

—Miss Minnie Whitesides of Paris is the guest of Miss Ida Dearborn of West Cerro Gordo street.

—Mrs. Jack Riley of Bloomington is visiting with her mother, Mrs. Robert Randall.

—Mrs W. H Whitley of Marion, Ind., is visiting with her mother, Mrs. George Simon of North Church street.

—J. M Sheppard, cashier of the banking firm of Shephard & Son of Lovington, is the guest of Decatur friends today.

—Attorney J. S. Baldwin is visiting adjacent towns in the interest of legal business today.

—Arthur Hendricks went to Jacksonville today to attend the state grocers' meeting.

—J. H. Bannaman, master mechanic of the Illinois Central, was in the city today on business.

—Constable Harry Mildkiff arrived home this morning from Litchfield, where he has been on business.

—State's Attorney I. R. Mills went to Springfield today. He has business in the United States court.

—B. F. Applegate of the dining car system of the Wabash, is in the city to appear as a witness in the Thomason suit.

—J. W. Walker of the Detroit Stove works, who has been in the city for the past few days has gone to Springfield.

—Mr. and Mrs. Max Atlass and daughter have returned from Lafayette, Ind., where they attended the Stein-Atlass wedding.

—Miss Retta McClelland and Misses Villa and Maud Mills, who have been visiting at Omaha, Neb., arrived home this morning.

—L. A. Hovey, who has been in the city visiting his son, C. L. Hovey, agent for the Illinois Central, returned today to his home in Bloomington.

—Dr and Mrs. D. S. Anderson of Maroa attended the lecture given at the tabernacle last evening and were the guests of Attorney and Mrs. I. A. Buckingham over night.

—Dr. J. W. Sanders yesterday packed a medicine case for Attorney W. H. Black and brother for their use during their stay in Alaska. About $50 worth of drugs were put in the case in addition to bandages, etc.

CHAFING DISH PARTY

Given by Miss Strohm in Honor of Miss Jane Temple.

Miss Anna Strohm of West Prairie avenue entertained a party of friends at a chafing dish party last evening in honor of her guest, Miss Jane Temple of St. Louis. Those present were Misses Jane Temple, Miss Shelby of Danville, Ky., Mary Voorhies, Caroline Griswold, Anna Roberts, Eugenia Harris, Lena Ullrich, Anna Strohm, Messrs. Edwin Haines, George Ennis, Edward Strohm, Kyle Behon, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert C. Clark.

Wheelmen's Club Committees.

President Henry F. Marcott of the Decatur Wheelmen's club has made out the following list of standing committees for the year and it is considered a well made up lot of committees by the club members:

Purchasing and Auditing—J. H. Latham and Guy Williams.

House—Claud Johnson and L. D. White.

Membership—Kuno Hickisch and Claude Johnson.

On Racing—Arthur Walt, R C. Kinsman and Frank Deetz.

Society Meetings.

The regular meeting of Triumph Court, No. 17, Tribe of Ben Hur, will be held this evening at 7:30 at the office of Dr. J. H. Eddy. Business of importance.

Shingle Social.

The Good Templars of Decatur Lodge will give a "shingle social," next Thursday night. There will be a musical and literary program and refreshments will be served.

Uniform Rank.

The members of the Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, will give an attractive entertainment at the hall in Powers' block, on the night of February 16. All are invited.

WILL ADJOURN.

Judge Vail to Suspend Court Business.

LAWYERS WILL ATTEND

The Funeral of J. C. Lake in a Body—Thomason Case Now on Trial in the Circuit Court—Docket Entries.

The circuit court will adjourn tomorrow in respect to the late James C. Lake, who died yesterday. When court convened this morning Attorney W. C. Johns formally announced the death of Mr Lake. He said that the deceased was at one time prominent as a lawyer in this city and suggested that court adjourn and that the members of the bar attend the funeral in a body. Judge Vail said he would adjourn court tomorrow until after the funeral and the members of the bar were requested to meet at the court room to go in a body to the funeral which will be held from the residence at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

THE THOMASON CASE

The $5000 damage suit of Judd Thomason against the Wabash railroad is now fairly started. A jury was secured yesterday afternoon and this morning several witnesses were examined. The case will probably be in progress for several days. The jury hearing the case is composed of the following: Ora C. Crane, John Humphries, J. P. Campbell, Philip Bauman, H M Bragg, P. P. Bryne, Event Wright, J D Barnhart, Michael Daley, W. T Cooper, W. M. Cox and Charles M Boardman.

The entries on the dockets are as follows:

COMMON LAW CASES.

David W. Bray vs John Blickle, trespass Demurrer to December 24 Demurrer overruled and rule to plead extended to fifth Monday.

S. R. Suffern vs. A. F. Drew; confession Judgment by confession for $821 49 against defendant and immediate execution awarded.

Bachman Bros & Martin Co., vs Sexton E. Smith et al, appellants; appeal. Trial by agreement.

Liquor Dealers' State Protective Association vs. T. E. Doran, appellants, appeal. Judgment as per stipulation on file and for costs.

Morehouse & Wells Co. vs F. P. Reddy; assumpsit. Continued.

D. W. Bray vs. John Blickle, trespass. Demurrer to declaration.

MARSHALL P. WILDER.

Y. M. C. A. Entertainment to be Given This Evening at the Opera House

The sixth entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. Star Course will be given this evening at the opera house Marshall P Wilder, the humorist, will give an entertainment. The following will be the program:

1. Piano Solo, "Andante and Rondo Capriccoso," Mendelssohn — Mr. John Francis Gilder.
2. Song, "Bedouin Love Song," C B Hawley—Mr. William H. Shaw.
3. Cornet Solo, "Three Stars Polka, Bagley—Signor Petrini.
4. Monologue, selected—Mr. Marshall P. Wilder.
5. Piano solo, (a) "Amaranthus," Gilder; (b) "Pasquinade," Gottschalk—Mr Gilder.
6. Song, "Off to Philadelphia," Hayne—Mr. Shaw.
7. Cornet Solo, "La Reve d'Amour, H. Millars—Signor Thomas G Petrini
8. Monologue, selected—Mr Wilder
9. Song, "Only in Dreams," De Koven—Mr. Shaw.
10. Monologue, selected—Mr. Wilder
11. Cornet Solo, selected—Signor Petrini.

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UNCLE SAM TALKS

To Spain in No Uncertain Tones as to De Lome.

MINISTER MUST GO HOME

And He Is Now Waiting for His Orders—No Word from Madrid—Guards for Minister Woodford.

Washington Feb. 10—The state department this morning gave out the substance of the cablegram sent yesterday to General Woodford, our minister to Madrid, in reference to the De Lome letter The statement is as follows: "There appeared in public print a letter addressed by the Spanish minister to Canalejas. This letter, the minister admits, was written by him. It contains expressions concerning the president of the United States of such character as to end the minister's usefulness as a representative of his government in this country. General Woodford, therefore, is instructed to at once say to the minister of state that the immediate recall of De Lome is expected by the president."

No response has yet been received from the Spanish government, nor has De Lome received from his government the announcement of the acceptance of his resignation, but it is believed this will soon be given. Indeed, De Lome regards himself now as a private citizen, although he is, technically, still Spain's representative.

Feeling at Madrid.

Madrid, Feb. 10—The news of the De Lome incident was received too late yesterday evening to obtain incidents. The government press naturally ascribed the authorship to the Cuban jingoes at Washington. The state department announcement that De Lome had admitted the genuineness of the letter was not received until early this morning. Canalejas is out of town, but his secretary said he never received any such letter from De Lome. For some time the authorities have been taking extra precautions in guarding the residence of United States Minister Woodford, which is on the outskirts of the city. Sunday the guard was re-enforced by 25 men and the Heraldo says that even this is not considered sufficient. The Heraldo asks whence the necessity for those precautions, since Madrid has offered absolutely not a single symptom for justifying such measures.

Bounced.

Madrid, Feb. 10.—At a meeting of the cabinet today the minister of foreign affairs read a dispatch from Minister De Lome at Washington, acknowledging the authorship of the letter to Canalejas and tendered his resignation. The cabinet decided to accept the resignation and telegraphed De Lome to that effect, at the same time putting the first secretary of the legation in charge for the time being.

The West Incident.

Washington, Feb 10—Owing to the De Lome affair, the incident touching Lord Sackville West is again revived.

Inasmuch as the line of action in that case may form the basis for action in this—always presuming that the Spanish minister does not himself cut the knot and relieve the government from the necessity of performing a disagreeable duty, it may be stated that with Lord Sackville the department of state itself initiated the action.

Lord Sackville West had written a letter to one Murchison in Pomona, Cal., in September, 1888, in reply to his request for guidance as a naturalized American of British birth in casting his vote for president. The reply was sent from Beverly, Mass., where the minister was stopping, and would not now nor probably at any time except in the heat of one of the great four yearly elections be regarded as particularly offensive. His lordship simply said that any political party which openly favored the mother country at that time would lose popularity and the party then in power was well aware of this fact. He believed, however, that President Cleveland would manifest a spirit of conciliation in dealing with the questions involved in his message.

West was dismissed and the latter went back to his London palace.

LOSS OF CUBAN TRADE.

Memorial of New York Men Presented to McKinley.

Washington, Feb. 10—A memorial was presented to the president yesterday by a delegation of New York business men, representing a large number of well